Tomorrow

A passage through India: Trevor Fishlock, The Times correspondent in Delhi, is about to leave the country which has been his home for the past three years. On the Spectrum page tomorrow he records his memories and parting impressions of in-dia, a land of striking contrasts, where modern science lives side by side with the bollock cart and

The Friday Page takes : look at the home life of the Rev Ion Paisley, Northern clergyman and Unionist politician. After 26 years of marriage, Paisley still sends his wife red roses and she still keeps his love letters. A three-page Special Report on Wales describes the efforts being made to attract new industries and holiday isitors to the Principality.

Green light for cut in base rates

expected to cut their base lending rates from 10½ to 10 per cent after a signal from the Bank of England. But last year's public borrowing may have been £1,000m over Budget estimates, official figures sug-gest. Page 19

Seat belt law saves lives

Wearing of car seat belts, which became compulsory in February, is saving lives and substantially reducing serious by The Times has disclosed
Page 5 road injuries, an investigation

Chicago pledge

Mr Harold Washington, elected Chicago's first black mayor by just 4 per cent of the vote, pledged to heal the racial divisions opened in the cam-

Ulster murder

Terrorists shot dead a man and connected with the Territorial Army, in an ambush in Main Street, Keady, Co. Ar-

Galtieri goes

General Leopoldo Galtieri, former President of Argentina, was taken to an undisclosed Army prison, amid growing uncertainty over his sentence and his precise legal situation Back page

Reuters' £36.5m

Reuters, the news and financial information agency whose ownership is in dispute, reported doubled profits of

Mafia slaughter

Eleven people have died, including a former lieutenant of the gangster Lucky Luciano, in a fresh outbreak of Mafia clan Page 8

Japanese 'spies' Mr Stanislav Levchenko, the Soviet spy who defected to the United States in 1979, has

named several prominent Japanese, including a Cabinet minister, whom he said, he had recruited as KGB agents Page 9

Slim chances

Short cuts to slimming such as starch blockers and appetite suppressants are a waste of money and could be harmful, according to Which? magazine

Cut in smoking

A survey by the Cancer Research Campaign indicates that fewer children are smoking than in recent years

Leader page, 15 Letters: On Third World aid, from Professor Al Clunies Ross, and Sir Colin Campbell; citzens' advice, from Mr J Davies, teaching, from Mr A A Barton Leading article: Mayor of Chicago; Miscarriages of justice;

War widows visiting graves
Features, pages 12, 14
Why Reagan is right in El
Salvador, Will President Saddam be the last victim of the Iran-Iraq war? An unlikely hero for Michael Foot. Spectrum: Out and about with the night

people Obitsary, page 16 Mr Desmond Bagley, Rear-Admiral B. C. Durant Building Societies: Three-page special report for borrowers and investors, pages 21-23

Arafat envoys sent to reopen peace talks with Husain

Mr Yassir Arafat, leader of leadership, probably in Tunisia, plan for the Middle East.

"We will be doing our best to negotiable. continue these joint talks with But whill said. He hoped for a meeting "friendly nature" of his Swedish between himself and King hosts, he had harsh words Husain shortly. Asked when he concerning the American in-"Tomorrow? Why

Mr Arafat said there were told him 'You are a king and Israeli invasion force of being maybe you can give directives. I "American mercenaries". maybe you can give directives. I "American mercenaries".
am a chairman and I have been "On the other hand, the elected democratically, which is Soviet Union is supporting us. why I have to discuss things with my leadership'."

He referred to "some august ments" to the plan put to him by King Husain and said "these could be any recognition of Israel by the PLO, the organizand King Husain were still ation was asking for

"cooperating together".

Mr Arafat also said that he Mr Arafat also said that he still hoped to meet King Hassan of Morocco to discuss President homeless, stateless, without

The ship, which is ferrying relatives of the Falklands dead

to Montevideo on their way home, needs a £2m refit before

embarking on its usual round of

The Ministry of Defence will bear 40 per cent of the cost of the refit – about £300,000 –

equivalant to the work involved

Caribbean cruises in July.

Falklands state.

Reagan's peace proposals. He even an identification card," he said the Arab summit meeting said. "We are five million, we in Rabat had been only have our rights.

the Palestine Liberation Organi- to discuss the situation in the zation, said in Stockholm last light of the Jordanian cabinet special envoys to Amman to It was this communiqué on reopen talks with King Husain Sunday that prompted specuof Jordan on the Reagan peace lation that President Reagan's peace plan was no longer

But while Mr Arafat was in the Jordanian authorities," he jovial mood, praising the said. He hoped for a meeting "friendly nature" of his Swedish volvement in Middle Eastern

politics.
"When I was under siege in "Just some misunderstandings" Beirut," he said. "I was not between himself and King facing the Israelis, I was facing Husain. "When I left Amman, I the Americans." He accused the

> They have declared that the Palestinian people must have

national legality".

temporarily postponed.

Asked if he would be going to Rabat, he smiled, spread his hands amiably and said: "Why resolutions."

"Israel was created by a United Nations' resolution but they ignore all other UN resolutions."

Mr Arafat added: "Within the next 24 hours there will be a summit meeting of the PLO does not happen to me."

He said he carried a gun and was prepared to use it "so that what happened to Mr Sartawi does not happen to me."

Canard need the work to be done in 55 days because the British Government had pro-

longed the ship's stay in the

Faiklands, and she was booked

for Caribbean cruises from July

man of British Shipbuilders,

said he could not afford to risk

and Mr Crisp was confident the

Union leaders in Britain were

sceptical about the ability of the

Maltese to fulfil the contract.

of the Tyne Shiprepair Group shop stewards' committee, said the work would have been

'manna from heaven" to the

group, which lost 1,400 jobs and

three repair yards last year. Mr Tom Burlison, chairman

of the Northern TUC, spoke of

outrage among local people at a time when British Shipbuilders

was contemplating further re-

and repair work done in British

Mr Paddy McKay, chairman

time schedule would be kept.

Sir Rober Atkinson, chair-

Cunard refit to cost

taxpayers £800,000

Nearly half the cost of round-the-clock overtime to

refitting the Cunard Countess, one British yard, but even then

the cruise liner, in a Maltese it would not have been possible

shipyard will be borne by the for them to get the work British taxpayer. finished in time."

in removing the helicopter pad incurring the heavy penalty and other military equipment, clauses Cunard was stipulating and restoring the ship to its preif the work were not completed

builders bid for the contract, the charging £500,000 more than state-owned firm was beaten by British Shipbuilders, they could

the Malta Drydock Corporation assign 5,000 men to the task,

Crisp:

work in the requisite 55 days. The British Government has Both Cunard and the Governbeen a leading source of ment have come under moun-revenue for Cunard over the

ting public criticism for the fact past year, chartering the Queen that the work is not coming to Elizabeth 2 and the Cunard

Mr Bernard Crisp, managing director of Cunard, said he had another Cunard ship, was sunk wanted to place the order in the Falklands, the Govern-Britain, but British Shipbuilders ment paid between flom and the control of the control

had been unable to do the work £15m to ensure that its replace-

in less than 80 days. He also ment was built in Britain. pointed out that the Cunard NEW YORK: Cunard offi-

Countess, which was built in cials in New York said yester-Denmark and operated in the day that they expected a Caribbean, was normally contract with the Maltese firm refitted in the United States. to be signed soon (Christopher

efitted in the United States. to be signed soon (Christopher He said: "We offered to pay Thomas writes).

Countess.

Bernard

Wanted Britain to get

because it was unable to do the yards.

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on schedule.

Earlier the Swedish leaders who met Mr Arafat, including Mr Olaf Palme, the Prime ness to continue negotiations on President Reagan's proposais.

LONDON: The onus was on Israel to play its part in the Middle East peace process by removing its troops from Lebanon without delay, Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, said last night, Henry Stanhope writes.

The Arabs had made : constructive move at last autumn's Fez summit and there was still overwhelming support for the way of moderation and

"The extremists must not be allowed a veto", he told the Diplomatic Corps at the Lord Mayor's Easter banquet in the Mansion House, less than 24 hours after his return from Jordan and the Gulf.

The scene had been clouded the dissappointing results between King Husain and Mr Arafat

Proof was now needed that the path of negotiation and moderation really worked, and the withdrawal of foreign troops from Lebanon would make an

Earlier in the Commons Mr Pymm, said that he could still see no practical alternative to the Reagan proposals as a starting point. They constituted an opportunity which would not recur and had to be seized

Forecast of 5% rise in exports

should jump by 5 per cent in the year to June 1984. "The United Kingdom now appears to be better placed for export-

At the same time, the biggest

Mr Rees said: "There is now outside forecasters.

industrial countries' gross national product – the total value of all goods and services dundancies, and called for legislation to force British shipowners to have building and trade - will grow on average this year by 2 per cent, compared with virtual stag-nation or worse in preceding

By Michael Prest Britain's exports should grow more strongly than ever over the next 12 months as a result of the fall in sterling, and the certainty that the world

conomy will recover this year.

Mr Peter Rees, Minister for Trade Secretary, told a CBI meeting yesterday that the volume of British exports led growth than for a long he said.

in world trade has lifted as a result of statements by Mr Paul Volcker, the United States Federal Reserve Board chairman, which were interpreted to mean that the United States will try strengously to avoid any significant rise in interest

growing evidence of a thaw at last in the world economy." This view - which bears critically on Government policy in a probable general election - is strongly supported by It is now expected that the

The crucial element in the forecasts is the US. Economists anticipate a growth rate of up to 4 per cent, accompanied by modest inflation and continuing firm control of the money

The United Kingdom Trea sury feels that lower oil prices, more control over inflation, gradual reduction of Budge deficits among some major countries, and improvements in business confidence leading to more investment, should ensure that the recovery will be

Two of Gibraltar's famous apes sit impassively as ships of the "Falklands fleet" lie alongside in the harbour. Spanish warships watch the Fleet sail into Gibraltar

No concern of the apes

men from life-rafts. Prince send the Spannish fleet to w is a helicopter pilot on

A British fleet, led by the aircraft carrier Invincible, yes-terday began its visit here as board the Invincible. scheduled, ignoring the Spanish tar's Chief Minister, said the "displeasure". The arrival of the Spannish protests did not help British ships was observed by the good neighbourliness rethree ships of the Spanish Navy, quired if the 1980 Lisbon agreement (on opening the border) was to have its effect. which took up position inside As the fleet came in, the

The Spanish ships, two frigates and a destroyer, had Gibraltar Trades Council said it will black the Spring Train exercise as part of the union's campaign to save the naval sailed from Cadiz. The British force of 12 ships is participating in an Atlantic exercise, called dockyards from closure. The ships had sailed in line

their national waters.

from the entrance to the Strait

A statement said the action would last until tomorrow, but of Gibraltar and were seen on its effects were not immediately the horizon by travellers on the hydrofoil service shortly after had not been for the attitude of we began the crossing from Algecias, on the Spanish side of the Spannish Government "attacking Gibraltar" the blacking the bay. Helicopters frequently would have continued for the flew over the vessels. Exercises duration of the fleet's five-day by the force, to whose presence the Spaniards have objected because of the role of the MADRID: Señor Manuel

Ford's controversial discount Escort and BL's new Maestro to sell Sierras at £1,000 below

Dealers were given £500 a car

for registering up to 10 Sierras

for use as so-called demon-

strator models. Most of them

were sold within days of being

registered. In addition, dealers

received bonuses of £350 for

each sale over a minimal target.

Algeciras Bay. He said he would also renounce the Lisbon agreement, because it was impossible to negotiate under such conditions. The Senate, the upper house

of the Cortes, unanimously sed a resolution supporting the government protest. The resolution deplored the visit and said it implied a worsening of Anglo-Spanish relations. . However, the Spanish people

seemed much less "worried and disgusted about the arrival of Prince Andrew and "the Falklands fleet" than the Madrid government, which summoned Sir Richard Parsons, the British Ambassador, twice in the past two days to hear its protests.

Spaniards interviewed expressed a lack of concern for the most part. Only two of Madrid's MADRID: Senor Manuel six morning newspapers found Fraga, leader of Spain's main the fleet's visit sufficiently Invincible in the Falklands opposition party, the Popular newsworthy to go on the front conflict, were later held in the bay, with helicopters picking up power he would immediately editorial comment. Sierra campaign in trouble

factory prices

registered in March.

Sierras with delivery milage

have also been sold by dealers through British Car Auctions

sale rooms. Dealers justified

this by pointing to the huge bonuses available for cars

This last-minute increase in

Walesa set free after questioning

From Roger Boyes Warsaw

Polish police yesterday picked up Mr Lech Walesa, the leader of the banned Solidarity trade union, to question him about his weekend talks with fugitive underground leaders. After five hours of interrogation, the police allowed Mr Walesa to return home

According to eyewitnesse two uniformed policemen and an officer in plain clothes took Mr Walesa away from his apartment in Gdansk, threatening to use force if necessary. Mr Walesa at first refused on the grounds that they had no arrest warrant but he eventually agreed and was then driven to a police station for interrogation.

Under Polish law, the police can hold suspects for 48 hours without an arrest warrant, but Mr Walesa was freed after only a few hours of questioning. According to his friends, Mr Walesa refused to give any details of his meeting with the

It has been clear for the past day - since Mr Walesa anmet leaders of the Solidarity underground - that the auth-orities would have to undertake Britain's best-selling car, has competitors claim that Ford spent between £5m and £7m last month to boost Sierra sales.

Competitors claim that Ford dealers in the country, the some kind of action against the Birmingham-based BSG group, last month to boost Sierra sales.

Although it is not actually

Although it is not actually illegal to meet with fugitive Solidarity activists, it is illegal to discuss anti-government actions with them. If the authorities can establish a their interrogations that the law was broken, this might eventually lead to an arrest. This is still unlikely, however, as it would have far reaching implications for such events as the planned Continued on back page, col 2 | Papal visit to Poland in June.

per cent, to fifth place with only 6.3 per cent. It has been ousted increased by several hundred by Vauxhall's Cavalier followed pounds for the last 10 days of by BL's Metro, Ford's own March, enabling some dealers the campaign produced such a flood of registrations that

campaign for dealers, to boost which has moved from sixth to list price.

its new Sierra car to the top as fourth place.

the bitter cut-price war of the

last two years and appears to have backfired on Ford because

Confidential figures circulat-

ing in the industry last night show that in the first 10 days of

April, the Sierra fell from outright leadership with 11.5

of its short-lived success.

Sir Richard Attenborough old cinema in the Fordsburg will attend a whites-only pre-mière of his award-winning film was recently declared an Indian Thursday, apparently because the Gandhi Centenary Council the charity for whose benefit it which wants to restore Tolstoy is being staged failed to apply in time for a special permit worked for a time.

allowing the film to be show to

Dr Essop Jassat, the vice-

The April 21 première here is

racial showing of Gandhi at an

Whites-only première for 'Gandhi' in South Africa

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

a multi-racial audience.

being held to raise money for the Cancer Association of South Africa. Sterkinekor, the cinema chain showing Gandhi, said yeasterday that it had not been asked by the charity to apply for a multi-racial permit, and now it was too late to do so as all the

Gandhi in Johannesburg next area. This is to raise money for

Dr Essop Jassat, the vice-chairman of the Gandhi Centenary Council, said last night: "The fact that (the première) is a whites only audience shows the whole silly set-up in South Africa, whites are going to see a work about a man who opposed all they stand for. I don't think Richard Attenborough realizes what he's doing. If he was aware seats had been sold to whites.

On April 22 Sir Richard will

of the implications he wouldn't

Gandhi's glory, page 14

Air conditioned **OFFICES**

Slip the election leash, demand Opposition parties

By Julian Haviland and Philip Webster

The Opposition parties responded yesterday to the growing belief at Westminster in an early general election, the Alliance leadership by saying they were eager for a fight, and Labour MPs by approving, in a mood of marked amity, their campaign document, The New Hope for Britain.

Mr Roy Jenkins, leader of the Social Democrats, speaking last night at Staines, Middlesex, urged Mrs Margaret Thatcher to stop "dithering". The Parliament had run as much of its course as it had the stamina to do, he said, and every month the Government continued in office was worse news for the

Labour government, however those Conservatives who prefer Labour government, however inose conscivatives was placed for the prospect, creates an autumn election believe they not believe it could or should be that overcame the demoralization reports)

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The comment of the prospect of the could be the could be the controlled by the Tories. "We association reports) confidence, Let us get on with it Thatcher was frightened, he



and put these great matters of

In the next breath Mr Jenkins "Equally, the threat of a deployed the argument to which

success for her economic policy parliamentary party called to tone of yesterday's meeting because inflation would be consider the campaign docu- said that internal had contrib rising by the end of the year.

Earlier, after a meeting Mr Michael Foot, the party between Mr Jenkins, Mr David leader, promised them that the Steel, the Liberal leader, and eventual manifesto would their advisers, a joint statement reflect what was in the docn-said that the Alliance parties ment, so painstakingly drafted on the camp had more than 500 candidates to meet the interests of left and emphasized in the field. The sooner the right. country could vote for a new beginning the better.

were afraid of their own party's winning. ened of a move to the right, pressing for an early election. It number of voters who are Labour MPs, including many of was prepared for one, it wanted satisfied with her as Prime their leaders, had no stomach the Government out. for their programme, and did

said, and knew that only by election mood by attempting to we can protect going to the country in June sink their acknowledged policy intercosts, he said. Only she claim even limited differences at a meeting of the Mr Foot, who we ment.

During the two-and-a-half

nnning the better. hour meeting there was criti-Mrs Shirley Williams, the cism of the leadership for failing SDP president, speaking in to get its message across, but Wandsworth, south London, none of the bitterness that has manifesto was welcomed by said that many active Conserva- characterized such meetings left-wing MPs. tives and many Labour MPs during the past two years.

Labour MPs reacted to the have to reassure the people that

we can protect their vital Mr Foot, who welcomed the uted to the public's doubts Mr Michael Foot, the party about Labour, but they were leader, promised them that the being overcome.

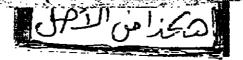
He accepted that there were "genuine intellectual queries" on the campaign document; he should not be picked out of the passage on nuclear disarmament, but that it should be read Mr Foot's pledge on the

Mr Wedgewood Benn said fered a drop during the past Conservatives were fright that the party should be month of 3 per cent, in the Minister, according to a Gallup poll published in The Daily Telegraph today (the Press

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Canada Life developing worldwide



Britain's first private hire motor cycles with "chauffeurs" were licensed yesterday when Bradford council permitted two unemployed brothers to operate package holidays on the pillion.

After consulting the council's lawyers, the public services subcommittee agreed that the 500cc machines of Mr John Berry, aged 27, and Mr Gary Berry, his brother, aged 24, could be licensed. could be licensed.

The subcommittee accepte the advice that a motor cycle could be a private hire vehicle because it was constructed to carry fewer than eight

Field trial for lawnmowers

The argument between Qual-cast and Flymo is to be tested today at Stoke Mandeville Hospital, before officials from the Independent Television Companies Association (ITCA). Qualcast has been running a television advertisement pur-porting to show how much more efficient its conventional Concorde lawnmower is than the hovering Flymo. Flymo couplains the advertisement is a misrepresentation and ITCA officials will see the Concorde

Police charged with assault

Seven police constables of the special patrol group, including a young woman, appeared at Wells Street magistrates court, central London yesterday, charged with assaulting black youths during the Brixton riots in 1981 and conspiring to cover

up the alleged attacks.

Between April 11, 1981 and
September 9, 1982, they were alleged to have attempted to mislead investigating police officers by making untrue after assaults on Mr Ian Francis and Mr Winston Young.

Verdict on housewives

A verdict of unlawful killing be a person or persons unknown was returned by the jury at the inquest in Aldershot yesterday into the deaths of two house-

Mrs Margaret Johnson, aged 66, and Mrs Ann Lee, aged 44, both of Aldershot, were killed on May 10 last year while walking their dogs across army

Changes at trust

Lord Trust Caldecote is to succeed Sir Eric Drake, who retires on May 1, as chairman of the Mary Rose Trust

ce will become the tr chief executive officer, Mr Richard Harrison, the executive director, will become museum director; and Mrs Margaret Rule, the archaelogical director, is to be research director.

CORRECTION

Mrs Shirley Williams was joined by Mr Richard Holme, chairman of the Liberal Party's publicity group, not by Mr Richard Wainwright in the press conference reported on April 12 under the heading "Foul play cry

TUC steps up campaign to fight Thatcher on jobless

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

The National Union

would rise from its low of 4.9 per cent in January to at least 6

per cent by the end of this year,

mainly because recent de-preciation of the pound had

"This has been used as a

proposals. This contrasts with

the Chancellor's unwillingness

to open up the pre-Budge

discussions in the way suggested by the House of Commons

"Secondly, the Chancello

has framed the Budget pro-

posals within the very narrow

constraints imposed by the Medium Term Financial Strat-

egy. He has attempted to create

the impression that the Govern-

ment is powerless except in the negative sense of minimizing its level of expenditure and bor-

rowing in the economy.

impact of various

political

made imports more expensive.

Trade union leaders vesterday stepped up their prep- Mineworkers, which has so far aration for a general election stood aloof from TULV, is inderstood to have promised and reaffirmed that the keynote of Labour's political challenge to Mrs Margaret Thatcher Mr Jim Mortimer, the party to Mrs Margaret Thatcher secretary, a donation of would be on unemployment £200,000 towards the election and the TUC's "battle for jobs". fund. The total of promises and Representatives of 30 unions cash actually raised must now attending a fund-raising confer- exceed £1m. In a confidential analysis of the Budget, the TUC economic committee yesterday fed fresh ence at Transport House in London were told that Labour's

"council of war" at Woodstock College, Surrey, in three weeks' time would concentrate on the political ammunition to Labour's front bench spokes-men on the economy. The paper claimed that inflation aims, organization and financial backing for Mr Michael Foot's effort to get into Downing Mr David Basnett, chairman

of Trade Unions for Labour Victory, (TULV), which also met yesterday, said: "We are making sure we are organized And in a general criticism it and ready. We are gearing up." said: "The Chancellor has He added: "Unemployment attempted to diminish the will be the major issue of the importance of the Budget in two election. Central to that will be the TUC's battle for jobs."

The sum of the Budget in two key respects over the last four years. Firstly, the Treasury has the TUC's battle for jobs."

The "summit" bringing Gminished the impact of the together the unions, the Shadow statement itself by assiduously Cabinet and Labour's national leaking some of the key executive will be held on May 5 elements of the Budget prior to and 6 at the training centre of the Budget speech.
the General, Municipal, BoilerThis has been men and Allied Trades Union, means of manipulating the of which Mr Basnett is general secretary. The issue of the party leadership seems to have been set firmly aside in preparations for a possible June poll.

Union leaders last night refused to say what progress had select committee. been made towards the party's objective of a £3m "war chest" to fight the election. The TULV chairman said that it was a three-stage campaign to bring in money from the financially hard-pressed labour movement, and the cash was coming in. But this timetable could be changed if the Prime Minister called a

Nine years

for 'master

burglar'

encountered"

disposed of.

worth more than £77,000.

Supergrass 'took part in death raid'

Billy Brazil, aged 35, a professional burglar, was jailed for a total of nine years by Winchester Crown Court yes A loyalist "supergrass" whose evidence helped to jail 12 out of 14 men for a total of 200 years, terday for a series of burglaries at wealthy homes in the South. and the remaining two for life was named yesterday as the third man in a Post Office raid Judge Pigot, QC, told him: "You are a master burglar and, during which woman was murdered. indeed, the most accomplished professional burglar I have ever

Mr Joseph Bennett, a selfconfessed former commander Captain Charles Douds, the Navy director of appointments and training at the Ministry of Defence will become the trust of the played in a series of burglaries in mounts from prosecution in Defence will become the trust of the played in a series of burglaries. The Royal College of Nursing strikes in the National Health general secretary, said a mess-months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was being sent to Margaret That their months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was being sent to Margaret That their months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth Clarke, age was trugging manifully for 18 months to have talks with the yesterday voted unanimously to Service, Mr Kenneth relation to crimes now being which antiques, painting and silverware were stolen and tried at Beifast Crown Court.

Yesterday the trial began of two men charged with the murder of Miss Muriel He was found guilty of nine cases of burglary and on charges McCann, at postmistress at of conspiring to commit bur-Killinchy, co Down, last year.

glary and conspiring to handle stolen goods. The judge said William Clifford and Michael that unrecovered property from the nine burglary offences was Campbell, both from Belfast, deny charges of murder, malicious wounding, attempted armed robbery and possession Judge Pigot ordered Brazil to of a gun and ammunition with pay £11,500 towards his legal aid and made a criminal bankruptcy order against him.

The case continues today.



Thousands in Dublin tax march

From Our Correspondent

Thousands of workers in the Republic of. Ireland staged a half-day strike yesterday after-noon as marches were held in more than 20 cities and towns in support of tax reforms.

The police said that 20,000 people took part in the largest march through the centre of Dublin. Union leaders claimed the future was higher, but acknowledged that it was much lower than the estimated 100,000 involved in the tax march of March, 1979. Attendances at marches outside Dublin varied from 300 to 5,000 vesterday.

The protests disrupted industry throughout the country, but shops, banks and public houses remained open.

The marches are intended to be the first stage of a campaign of opposition to the high levels of tax and social insurance contributions paid by workers who are taxed under the pay as you earn system.

Leaders of the three main parties in the republic and the Social Democratic and Labour Party in the North meet today for talks on setting up the all Ireland forum aimed at drawing up the shape of a united Ireland (our Belfast Correspondent writes).

support their leaders' stand that

body should cover only quali-

said that during last year's

New appeals review body ruled out

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

essary upset them".

be certain to get it right".

cannot be assumed that where

Paper published yesterday, has rejected MPs' proposals for an independent review body to examine alleged miscarriages of

But it says that the Home Secretary will be prepared to refer more of such cases back to the Court of Appeal, which will make greater use of its powers to admit evidence and consider

The Home Secretary will also consider appointing lawyers ad hoc to assist over whether to take action in some cases, and in all cases where the Home Secretary refuses to take further action "some explanation, rather than a simple statement of refusal to intervene in a case, retary will in future be prepared

should be offered".

The White Paper is the Government's response to a that the Lord Chief Justise "sees report last November by the room for the court (of appeal) to Home Affairs Committee of be more ready to exercise its MPs which argued for a new own powers to receive evidence, independent appeals review or where appropriate, as practibody to allay public concern cable, to order a retrial". The Government w

The MPs said that such a allow the Home Secretary to body, called for in evidence to refer doubtful summary cases the committee by the Criminal back to magistrates courts Bar Association, by Justice, the law reform group, and by Sir David Napley, the solicitor, could lead to a reexamination of up to 200 convictions a year back to magistrates courts bac

RCN votes for separate pay fight

:We did not take industrial

promise. The Government

people and produce such a high

pay bill that ministers would

Mr Trevor Clay, the college's

should keep theirs."

mouth, made it clear they fully policy against industrial action.

the new independent pay review action. We have kept that

Ford strike The Government, in a White from 2,000 petitions presented

to the Home Secretary.

But yesterday the White
Paper said that "as a matter of constitutional principle it peace formula. Workers in the should primarily be for the body plant are threatening to walk out if new "Japanese to review convictions and, if

Urging that priority be given to improving and enhancing the part played by the courts in the Mgr Derek Worlock, and the part played by the courts in the Anglican bishop, Dr David Sheppard, called for immediate the judicial process may have talks to avert the crisis. They failed to arrive at a just also urged for an end to the solution, an alternative arrange-ment can be devised which will

Urging a more flexible use of present powers, the White Paper says: "The Home Secoften mistaken for militancy to exercise his power of reference more readily" and

delay."
"We urge them to abandon

The Government will consider introducing legislation to the smear is justified.

"brinkmanship".

Mr William Broderick, area comed the church leaders' statement. "We have been struggling manfully for 18 months to have talks with the ing to talk any time about the new working practic-

Mr Harold Musgrove, chairman of BL's Austin Rover student nurses were being forced to share jobs on half pay when they qualify because group, yesterday warned 5,000 hospitals could not afford to men on strike at his Cowley mass meeting votes to continue the three-week old strike, a £100m investment to produce a The nurses are earning £28 a week, £2 more than unemployment benefit, but would rather The nurses decided to press for stricter control on television advertising of over-the-counter

Bishops in plea to end

yesterday urged unions and management at the troubled Ford factory in Halewood, Merseyside, to thrash out a new peace formula. Workers in the are introduced.

"smear" campaign against Halewood workers. They said "A prolonged

strike would be damaging to the workforce whose solidarity is We appeal to both parties to go to the conference table without

the policy of brinkmanship which does no more than prepare the way for another

dispute."
Dr Sheppard added: "It's wrong that the majority of the workforce is smeared with the vord 'militant'. We have visited trade union leaders at the factory and we do not believe Ford denied that it was guilty

organiser for the Transport and General Workers Union, wel-

assembly plant that if today's new Angio-Japanese car could Longbridge (Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent,

Science report

Clear view through the living lens

By the Staff of Nature
A long-standing pazzle
about the capacity of the eye to see appears to have been solved by two French re-searchers, Mireille Delaye from the University of Paris-Sud and Annette Tardier from the Molecular Genetics Centre of CNRS, near by.

The question they have tackled is how the lens of the human eye can be more or less transparent when it is crammed with protein molcranined with protein mor-ecules whose capacity for scattering light would be expected to blur images of the outside world out of recog-

conundrum is that the pro-teins in the lens of the eye are transparent for much the same reasous as is glass.

same reasons as is glass.

The essence of the puzzle about the transparency of the eye lens is that about a third of it by weight consists of protein, most of the remainder being water. So much can be told from the stickiness of the material extruded when the lens of an animal eye is propertured.

It is now known that the principal protein in the lens belongs to one of three families known as crystallins. Delaye and Tardieu have measured the scattering of X-rays by material taken from the eye lenses of animals to show that the old explanation

of transparency, always im-plausible on biological plausible on biological grounds, is far from the truth. The molecules of the three types of crystallin in the lens turn out to be arranged in a more or less random fashion. but nevertheless are arranged over much shorter distance scales in a way that minimizes

local scattering by the atoms The most telling results of the experiments now described from Paris are those in which X-rays are scattered from lens material diluted with various proportions of

The X-ray scattering experiments reveal a loose correlation between the positions of groups of protein molecules extending over distances of about 500 interatomic spacings, suggestive of According to the authors of

the measurements, the shortrange order revealed by the X-ray measurements implies that the lens of the eye scatters only a fortieth as much visible light as would be scattered by a solution of independent randomly arranged molecules.
Such a poor performance would show every image of

the outside world as a embedded in turbidity.

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That conclusion points to the underlying objective of this research, to understand cataract formation. As yet, however, there is no clear indication whether cataracts are a consequence of too little short-range order or of too much long-range order, crystallinity. Source: Nature, March 31, 1983

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fied staff and students. The college shopes the Mrs June Clark, from west Government will take note of Berkshire, said that if auxiliaries the vote and drop its proposal were covered by the review to include untrained nursing body it would cover so many auxiliaries within the remit of the review body. Mr Jeff Wood, of the college's have a perfect excuse to say they Association of Nursing Edu-could not afford to implement cation in the West Midlands, its recommendations.

Abbey to pump £100m into inner-city housing

By Baron Phillips, Property Correspondent

Society is expecting to pump feadily available."

£3,000m into home buying this year compared with £2,500m to lend by far the largest last year, Sir Campbell Adamation amount of money for homeyesterday at the society's annual general meeting.
Of that sum £750 will go

towards new homes. It is believed to be the largest sum allocated by a society for new houses. The sum will also include £100m for inner-city. housing, where Abbey believes t is most needed. Sir Campbell said: "In inner-

city areas, I am not yet convinced that the full implications of Abbey National's involvement in improving housing conditions has been grasped by the business world. These areas represent a large market where finance is now,

Court told by

disc jockey of

smokescreen

Mr Noel Edmonds, the disc

jockey, told a jury yesterday that he believed his business

partner began laying a smoke-screen after their venture began

He said that after announcing

in June, 1981, that he wanted to

break the world water speed record, his partner, Basil Wain-

wright, began to behave "irra-tionally" to mislead.

Mr Wainwright, aged 48, of Yardley Wood, Birmingham, denies 22 finance charges, including nine of theft, at Worcester Crown Court.

It is alled that Mr Wainwright obtained by heft and deception more than £40,000

Sheryl Cuffe, aged 29, of Castle Bromwich, Birmingham,

from Mr Edmonds.

to go wrong.

The Abbey National Building perhaps for the first time

son, the chairman, announced buying, its increases are only yesterday at the society's annual broadly in line with most societies. Woolwich Equitable commented yesterday that it too, expects to increase lending by about 20 per cent and that a quarter of all mortgages wil be for new homes.

Like many other leading societies Abbey has launched an inner-city initiative with pilo schemes in key areas to show what can be done with rundown urban housing. It is estimated that new private housebuilding will rise by 14 per cent to 160,000 in the current year. Abbey' allocation to meet that is doubling from last year's £350m

the Hanoverian arms for the

Royal Irish Assurance Com-

In the early days of insurance

The Royal Irish Assurance

Mr Wainwright's former sec-bought three other lots, spend- Graf A von Klenau, a Munich retary, denies 10 joint charges. ing a total of £4,860. They dealer.

pany and dated 1823.

They are keenly collected.

Unions renew pressure on publishing company

The biggest non-union com- and women's magazines includpany in the publishing industry ing Dandy, Beano, Topper, is agin under pressure from Rover, Annabel and My Weekly. unions trying to win recognition, but the family-run DC Dundee Courier, which with a Thomson and Co is determined circulation of more than to fight to prevent them gaining 130,000 outsells all provincial

unionists marched around the over 15 years of age. The company's newspaper offices in company made a £7m profit last Dundee as part of the drive for year. recognition, but the management was unmoved. "We know success of DC Thomson gas our way works," a Thomson been brought at the price of spokesman said.

Glendining an Co sold every

lot in their sale of Norman and

Plantagenet coins from the

famous collection formed by the

In Christie's sale of orders

Sale room

Record price for firemark

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Phillips secured an auction included a Dublin Insurance record price for a firemark lead crest of the city at £1,000

yesterday when an English (estimate £300-£500).

private collector paid £2,750

The sale of firemarks and fire (estimate £1,000-£1,500) for an memorabilia made a total of

oval lead mark stamped with £25,112, with 6 per cent unsold.

lead or other metal marked late F Elmore Jones. The sale attached to houses recorded totalled £82,215, with the top

with which company the build-prices coming among the coins ing was secured against fire. from the reign of Stephen

Company was in existence for and medals, a client described only four years, from 1823 to as "a king" consigned the 1827, and only four examples of Russian Imperial Order of St

its firemark are believed to have Andrew, made for an ancestor survived.

Andrew, made for an ancestor around 1900. It sold for £7,000

The same private collector (estimate £4,000-£5,000)

(1135-1154).

a foothold.

Yesterday 400 delegates from Weekly News and The Sunday the National Union of Journal Post, which has a claimed ists' conference which is being readership of 70 per cent of the held in Dundee, and other trade entire population of Scotland

ng to discuss the

The meeting heard

body's composition.

give them full time jobs.

carry on working

spokesman said.

Thomson, which is run by cause the company will not the great-grandchildren of Mr allow unions to bargain on William Thomson, a Dundee behalf of the 3,000 employees. shipowner who founded the The NUJ has about 60 memorpany more than 100 years bers, representing 20 per cent of ago, publishes dozens of comics the Thomson editorial staff.

Muesli craze may be here to stay

The present health craze has led to a boom in the sales of high fibre, bran-based breakfast cereal, according to a report published yesterday. The report, by Key Note Publications, says that the rapid

growth in consumption of bran cereals and muesli is likely to continue The traditional cooked breakfast is rapidly becoming a thing of the past, particularly in urban areas, it says.

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Fashionable slimming short cuts may be harmful, magazine says

ers, appetite suppressants and is needed about their effective- all high protein powders, are a ness and their potential health. Meal substitutes receive waste of money and could even risks, it says. be harmful, the Consumers Association says today.

more effective than a conventional low calorie diet. -

Starch blockers, which reached Britain from the United States last year, have now been a diet. banned in America, according The magazine also looks at to the association's magazine two new diets which hit the

suppressants is similar. Neither The report is based on a suppressants containing a bulk-ing agent which swells up in the mers, in addition to analysis by

Fashionable short cuts to to avoid high protein powders had tried either type of appetite slimming, such as starch block- to replace meals. More evidence suppressant found it any help at

be harmful, the Consumers
Association says today.

After testing every slimming product on the British market, the association found nothing those effective than a convenas special chocolate bars to be eaten with a drink, may be worth trying at the beginning of

headines last year. The verdict They are supposed to block on the Beverley Hills diet by the enzyme which helps to Judy Mazel is Don't try it, it digest starch, but the Con- will make a big hole in your sumers Association experts say Pocket and it could have a bad they do not work and if they effect on your health." But did the results would be Which? likes the F-plan diet by uncomfortable and un Audrey Eyton because it seems balanced, healthy and easy to

stomach nor those containing Consumers. Association nusugar really work.

Which? also advises alimmers Only 56 of the 384 people who

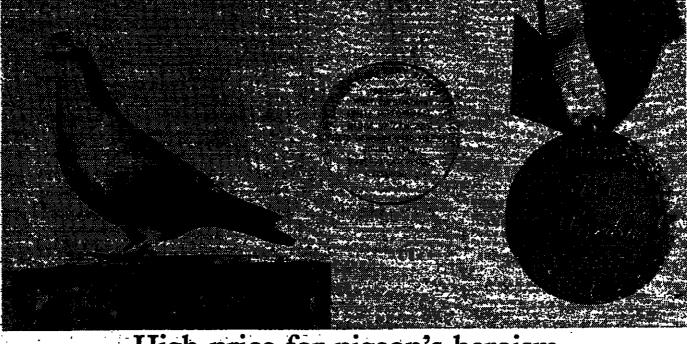
Fewer young people

more support: 151 out of 475 panel members found slimming biscuits a useful substitute for meals. However, only 107 out of 467 were helped by starcis-

Psychological help may be more important than specific foods. Which? reports that two thirds of the people who joined slimming support groups thought that they provided a useful way to lose weight.

The average Briton consumers three times more salt than he really needs, Professor Arnold, Bender, head of nu-trition at Queen Elizabeth College, London, said yesterday. Excessive consumption of salt can lead to high blood

Professor Bender said that the average daily intake in Britain was 10 grammes of salt, and some salt addicts eat 30 grammes or more a day. A dose of only 100 grammes of salt can be fatal.



High price for pigeon's heroism

A rare "animal VC" awarded to a Denmark. Of the 100 pigeons who pigeon named Mercury during the started the mission, only Mercury pigeon named Mercury during the Second World War sold at a Christie's auction in London yesterday for

Mercury (also shown) won the Dickin Medal, as it was originaly known, for the "most outstanding single performance" of any one pigeon on special service. She made a nonstop flight of 480 miles on July 30, 1942, carrying a secret message from a Danish resistance group in north

returned to her loft.

The medal, with documentation, was bought by an agent for Mr Louis Massarella for the Royal Pigeon Racing Association.

Mercury, a blue hen, is the most famous of 31 pigeons to have been awarded the Dickin Medal. The Army Pigeon Service discovered Mercury, bred by the late Mr James Catchpole,

Mr Harold Catchpole, his son, who sold the medal, recalled how the bird was recruited. He said: "The Army took two birds from each of 50 fanciers, including my father, and said it was for something special."

The People's Dispensary for Sick Animals at Woking, in Surrey, awarded the medal to Mercury in

Mr Catchpole, aged 62, said yesterday: "The price paid is far beyond my expectations

War widows rebuffed

smoke, survey finds No state aid to visit graves

Fewer children are smoking given institution completed the A survey of 20,000 panils and forms simultaneously and to agree to a request to allow The geographical spread of different countries and terricollege students in the North of sealed them in unmarked Second World War widows to graves covered by the Com-

college students in the North of Sealed them in unmarked England shows rates of regular stroking rising from 0.3 per cent of children aged 9, to 24 health warnings about smoking per cent of those aged 15 and are being acted upon the survey also disclosed. The survey also disclosed that the health of same young day of the survey by the Cancer Research Campaign indicate the proportion of smokers is considerably lower than similar, though less extensive, surveys conducted a few years ago.

Second World War widows to fly at public expense to the fly at public expense to the monwealth War Graves Commonwealth War Graves Commonwe people who would be in- second larges group, 200,000, is Parents have a strong inflivolved," spokesman said. in Belgium.

There are about 64,000 Mr Alastair Laing, the deputy widows of Servicemen killed on director-general of the com-

For example, the new results ence on their children's smok indicate that 4 per cent of boys ing habits and it seems that and 2.5 per cent of girls aged 11 parental attitudes are much duty before 1967 when the mission, said yesterday: "Natand 13 smoke at least once a more important than whether week. A survey in 1975 parents smoke, indicated that 8 per cent of boys and 5 per cent of girls smoked at dren with a parent who smokes Government introduced a pol- urally we welcome visitors to icy of providing facility visits to any of these places and will the graves of men who died provide any information we can after that date.

Most were widowed in the pay for relatives to visit the Second World War, and lost graves. These graves virtually

ose ages.

Dr Anne Charison, of Man-with 10 per cent with nonchester, who carried out the smoking parents. However, survey for the campaign, disnearly half the children who tributed 20,000 anonymous thought that their parents would questionnaires through primary not mind their smoking did and secondary schools and smoke, against 8 per cent of colleges of further education those whose parents disaplate last year. All pupils in a provide

Sir David Napley, the former manner in which they are Board, said yesterday that president of the Law Society, carried out.

Bill

Jailed witness to appeal

dence of crime"

Sir David said: "The real evil This is objectionable."

travel to service graves to a

If the decision to offer free relative and companion were extended to families of those killed in 1967, as Lady Jeger has suggested in a House of Lords question, the main beneficiaries night ruled out the question of any mass dispensation for such visits. The problem is quite France, where 600,000 services simply one of scale. We could not do this for the thousands of the First World War. The campaigns in Palestine, Borneo, campaigns in Palestine, Borneo, Kenya, Aden, Cyprus and Malaya, and a number of more minor engagements.

Some widows of men killed in the First World War would also be offered the chance to visit the graves, though it is thought that few would be able to stand the journey.

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Napley onslaught on police searches

many espects of the Bill were misguided and that he doubted

criticized yesterday what he "Anyone who has had any would be needed to get anything idescribed as the "real evil" of experience of a police search police searches in the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill.

Addressing the council of the Newspaper Society, he said that material which is directly germane to the subject of their inquiries.

They take the opportunity whether the proposed legis of pursuing a roving comlation would make "the slightest mission over all information difference to the general inci- confidential or otherwise on which they can lay their hands.

Tape-recording of evidence and an independent prosecuting system were proposed by the commission to balance extra powers recommended for the police, but Sir Cyril said that Sir David said: "The real evil they did not form part of the of the clauses in the Bill is that Sir Cyril Philips, chair-present Bill, which sought a of police searches and the man of the Police Complaints different kind of balance.

Falklands 'settlers'

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Would-be settlers in the Falk-lands, tempted by offers of 100-acre plots at £1,500 each, are unlikely to be able to make a living, Mr Ted Fellows, the deputy editor of Farmers Weekly,

people in Britain have been taken with the idea of buying plots either from the Falkland Islands Company or from Mr Harry Camm, a Chesterfield

But after visiting the islands Mr Fellows concludes tha unimproved land can suppor only about one sheep to ever five acres

Topsoil and the hard clay subsoil are separated by an substitute of the separate of

represent a substantial potential market for horticultural produce, their bayers will not commit themselves without an adequate marketing infrastro-The cost of providing suit-

able protection for crops against the wind would be prohibitive, even if markets Professor Frank Barnaby, the could be found, Mr Fellows former director of the Stock-"Quite apart from the lack of commercial potential offered

by these diminutive plots, there remains the difficulty of coping with the harsh winter con-ditions, for which the Falkland Islands are famous, and with the need to be almost entirely Hugh Motefiore, Bishop of national park. self-sufficient."

Warning to Non-nuclear defence plan sought

non-provocative" policy for Europe was issued

yesteday by a new organization called Just Defence. The organization, formed by a group of eminent scientists, prelates and military officers, aims to provide a forum rather

than a simple policy for finding a way out of what it calls the 'sterile polarization" of the defence and disarmament debate, in which unilateralism is lined up against multilateralism. It argues that Britain and

Europe should adopt policies which are clearly perceived as non-aggressive by the Soviet Union, using new technologies to provide purely defensive forces in Europe, with no land-based nuclear weapons The threat of nuclear black-

mail would be counteracted by the continuing presence of the strategic nuclear arsenals of the Soviet Union and the United States, the group argues; but the reduced by removing the policy of flexible response. Founded by Mr Stan Windass, director of the Foun-

dation for Alternatives, with holm International Peace Research Institute, the group's advisory council includes General Sir Hugh Beach, a former head of procurement for the Army, Pofessor Dorothy Hodg-kin, president of the Pugwash

Team from France in shop thefts

A French junior rugby team has left West Yorkshire for party, 16 juveniles and 10

A. West Yorkshire police spokesman said that £200 of goods, mainly sportswear, was taken from three shops in

"All of the property except one jumper was recovered. Noone will be appearing in court,

The group, from Villeneuve les-Avignon, had been invited by Shaw Cross Boys Club, Dewsbury, and a civic reception was given by Mr Jack Wood, the Mayor.

They presented me with a picture of their town and a bag of prunes from the area. I would put this escapade down to high spirits," Mr Wood said.

Driving ban on rugby forward

Richard Moriarty, the Welsh international rugby forward, was fined a total of £120 yesterday for driving offences and disqualified from driving for 18 months.

Moriarty, aged 25 and unem-ployed, of Neath Road, Plas-mari, Swansea, pleaded guilty before city magistrates to a drink-driving charge, taking a car without the owner's consent, and twice driving without a licence and insurance, the second time whem taking documents to a police station. He was given an absolute discharge on both insurance

£370,000 award to widow-

Agreed damages of £372,862 were awarded in the High Court in London yesterday to Mrs Margaret Dobbins, whose hus-band, an engineer, died in a helicopter crash while working in the Arabian Gulf.

Mrs Dobbins, aged 50, of Milford Hill Road, Salisbury, Wiltshire, was awarded the damages, with costs, against Textron Incorporated, of Texas, manufacturers of a Bell 212 helicopter which fell into the sea off Abu Dhabi in 1978, killing

Killer drowns

A man who died afer jumping into the sea at Whitley Bay, Tyne and Wear, during a gale on Monday, was identified yesterday as Robert Thornton Small, aged 53, who was released from prison last month after serving 12 years of a life sentence for murdering his wife and killing his three children.

Forest go-ahead

The Countryside mission has withdrawn its objections to the Forestry Commission plan to plant a coniferous forest on 370 acres of fell land at Grassguards in conference and the Rt Rev Dunnerdale in the Lake District

War declared on the 'nasties'

One of the strongest measures so far taken to the trade in video attaines. was announced vesteriar, with the introduction of voluntary classification code backed up by the registration of video dealers.

refused to give evidence, had been freed on ball at the Count

ssion in Edin

ged 32, of 18 Newark Drive

Wishaw, Lanarkibire, was jailed on Manch 18 at

Hamilton Sheriff Court affer

Under the scheme, littro-duced by the British Videogram Association (BVA), retailers who fail to register by next September will be forced out of business by having legitimate supplies of cassettes and discs withheld. Any member of the BVA, representing 50 member companies, who continues to Supply unregistered dealers will be expelled. The Government has expressed its preference for

The BVA's definition of a

'nasty' is: "a plarase coined by the press that generally refers to material that can include disembowelling, exstration, cannibalism, and hamiliation"

voluntary measures, but if they fail legislation will be intro-

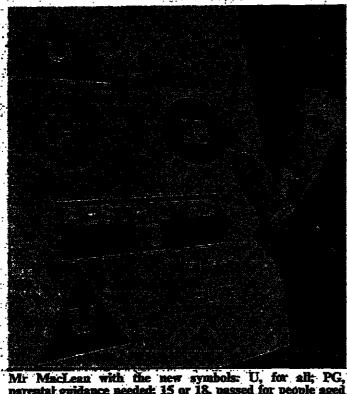
legislation was wanted by very few and "would be fraught with undesirable side-effects" Mr Isin Muspratt, BVA vice-

chairman, said that retailers who chose to stay outside the scheme would have "no business, no future". He agreed that the scheme constituted a restrictive trade practice, but added: 'We do not expect that to be a problem."

Classification will start at drawn. council, under a chairman to be executive of the BVA, said that A press conference in London named shortly, will be formed he had sat on the working party was

will tally with those used for stummed see. A recent survey had indicated cimema filing. They will be Mr Muspratt called the that 2 per cent of people who displayed in every shop and material depending much. Most marked clearly on every case of the feedbacked many parents who beath, and 15 per cent of those marked clearly on every case of the feedbacked many parents who beath, and 15 per cent of those marked clearly on every case of the feedbacked many parents who beath, and 15 per cent of those marked clearly on every case of the feedbacked for the scheme, he remove any confinion over said.

The content survey had indicated that 2 per cent of people who beath, and 15 per cent of those marked clearly on every case of the feedbacked for the scheme, he included massies? But also content of the classific of disc. Carefully which show limitation film.



duced.

Mr Donald MacLean, chairman of the BVA, said that

barred to children; Uc, children's filin; no certificate.

Asked by a questioner who identified himself as the "video nasty somespondent" of Video Viewer to choose their least favourite scenes from "nasties",

Mr Norman Abbott, chief

The intention, the BVA says, by age, and in trangles, denoting is to provide the public with the an advisory category. One means of making an informed category, not used for cinema tent and to isolate the video that are considered particularly masties.

Shops will not be allowed to play scenes from videograms in the limited categories in any part of the shop to which BVA officials refused to be are trailers classified "U" or "PG" (parental guidance).

from representatives of video- established to examine a code andicace sold or rented for gram publishers, wholesalers, for the industry.

retailers, and four people "I am trying to obliterate than seven million. Three unconnected with the industry. from my memory the terrible districts of those rented an Recause consistence is regard things we were subjected to he awards of one prerecorded the supportant the categories said. Some of the films Arcontanty had indicated home video products was more

Luxury image for stations

By Michael Baily Transport Editor

Luxury restaurants and shop-ping centres will be built in London's main line stations to make them attractive social centres on continental lines, Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Transport, predicted yesterday. As part of its general plan to

bring private capital into public industry, the Government is giving maximum encouragement to bring restauranteurs retailers, and property devel-opers into station development to help dispel the image of British railway stations as places of "dust, dirt, cigarette ends, and cold waiting rooms". Already five stations, Euston Blackfriars, Holborn, Cannon

Street and London Bridge, have been developed. Another five, Liverpool Street, Broad Street Fenchurch Street, Victoria Waterloo and King's Cross were in the pipeline with more ambitious ideas, Mr Howell indicated. Two more, Paddington and St Pancras, would follow.

At Waterloo, where he had an early morning walkabout among uncomplaining commuters, a choice of sites was beign offered to private restauranteurs to provide a luxury restaurant of the kind that made Paris stations attract people rather than drive them out There were also plans for a mezzanine shopping centre over the platforms and concourse.

'Cocktail' boy in hospital

Richard McBride, aged nine was in hospital nursing a hangover yesterday after a drinking spree with four young friends.

The boy, from The Horse shoe, Godalming, Surrey, had consumed a "cocktail" of consumed a sherry, cooking oil, tomato ketchup, garden plant food and Carlsburg special brew. The police found him staggering about and obviously

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Pym still backs Reagan plan for Middle East

MIDDLE EAST

the Commons. These proposals, he added, constituted an opportunity which would not recur and therefore

It is essential (he went on) that the forces of moderation, not least Palestinians themselves who stand is the time in the state of the most if they do not. Mr Pym: I have no plans at the Likewise, it remains essential that mom-all foreign forces should withdraw possil quickly from Lebanon and that the Israel has a heavy responsibility in

rest on the principles set out in the Venice Declaration. We are encouraging all those working for peace to the limit of out ability and are in close touch with them. The role of the United States Government, both in the Venice of the United States Government, are proposals?

The Venice of the Venice of the Venice of the United States Government, are proposals?

President Reagan has failed to the United States Government, President Reagan has failed to both in the Lebanon talks and in the influence the Israeli government wider peace process, of course either to withdraw troops from the He added that the assassination

of Mr Issam Sartawi, PLO moderate, at the Socialist International meeting in Portugal, had Mr David Watkins (Consett, Lab):

and the West Bank, both of which If peace negotiations over the are in direct contravention to the Middle East were to begin there was Reagan initiative. What efforts is no practical alternative to the the Government making in regard the starting point, Mr Francis Pym. the Middle East?

Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, declared in on both these issues were discussed

on both these issues were discussed at length at the Arab League delegation and have been touched on in all recent discussions. Mr Michael Latham (Molton, It is essential (he went on) that Having met King Husain and also the forces of moderation, not least in the PLO, carry the day. It is the PLO, carry the day. It is the Placting the master of the standard of the Place of the standard of t

Mir Denis Healey, chief Opposition spokesman of foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Leeds, East, Lab): I agree with the Foreign Secretary that the Reagan proposals still represent the best framework

Lebanon or freeze the settlements on the West Bank which has been turned into a fortress. We hear of the Israeli government's plan to build 57 more settlements on the Does the government's approach



to the Resean initiative seek to

from these courses? Mr Pym: Throughout the whole of this dispute, ever since President

at presidential, secretary of state and all levels, that the United States use approach to be brought about by Israel, - It is regretable that their influence has not brought a withdrawal of all forces from the banon which King Hussin and other Arab leaders regard as a prerequisite before negotiations can

flexibility on the part of Israel and the PLO, because blame does not lie Mr Russell Johnston (Inverness, L): fore in the PLO and more action is taking place on the West Bank. Can he bring this in the strongest possible terms to the attention of President Reagan?

everybody. I am not sure it is true to that and this is a bad example. **EEC** commitment to solve

Mr Pvan: That murder



the Reagan initiative seek to

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uzede the Israeli government
these courses?

Proceeding the whole of come to an agreement with King Husain because that would have been a helpful aspect to progress in

> Mr Dennis Walters (Westbury, C): The comment by General Etan on the proposed settlements on the West Bank was in blatant disregard of international opinion. Was not that the reason for the breakdown in Mr Pym: A number of people or

> both sides do make rather rash comments which are unhelpful. The comment on the proposal to increase by 57 the number of settlements or the West Bank, at the time it was view that these settlements are illegal and contrary to the Reagan plan and the sooner this is reversed

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Finance Bill second reading. Lords (3): British Shipbuilders Bill, report. Debate on EEC committee report on borrow

Ezra on choosing state industry chairmen

HOUSE OF LORDS

In paying a ridiculous fee for the services of Mr Ian MacGregor the Government had established a dangerous precedent, Lord Taylor of Gryfe (SDP) said when he opened a debate on the problems besetting relations between the Government and the nationalized industries. He said it might have to pay similar fees in future to British companies from which it hoped to attract top

Labour regarded state industries as essentially virtuous while the Conservatives saw them as an evil which must be liquidated as quickly as possible, irrespective of whether as possible, irrespective of whomes this made good sense or was in the best interests of the nation.

Would the shadow of the threats

from both sides encourage management to make the long-term plans and investment decisions that were tial and attract the first class management necessary if these industries were to succeed? The trouble (he said) is that we

The trouble (he said) is that we are caught up in a debate about ownership when we should be discussing efficiency. The first requirement for efficiency is to get your structure right so that we may recruit the best people to manage the state of the property of the prop the industries and then permit them

to manage.
Lord Beswick, for the Opposition, said it was possible to have a friendly and constructive relationship with a sponsoring department but the Treasury was a different thing. Wholly admirable and conscientious characters as they were, collectively he did not think they were now fitted for the role of financiers to commercial entermises financiers to commercial enterprises

finance need not, and must not, slacken financial discipline but they could mean a profound pyscholigi-cal improvement which in turn could yield significant ecnomic

Cameras

in select

committees

Mr Austin Mitchell (Grimsby, Lab) was given leave by 153 votes to 138 to bring in a Bill to allow select committees of both House of

Parliament to be televised. The Bill

Mr Mitchell said his Bill would

strengthen the select committees enabling them to reach the public

directly, and would allow Parlia-

ment to conduct an experiment with

television to remove unjustified fears about it and show the benefits

interrogation and inquiry should be left to whippersnappers on tele-vision, or amateurs like Sir Robin

Day. The House would inevitably

TELEVISION

t could bring

No amount of structural change would avail unless the spirit which breathed through that structure was right. The self-interested or selfish They had to work out ground rules for the owners of nationalized

society carried its own seeds of destruction. To those who looked to an laternative and more hopeful defined and which made sense.

Attention should be drawn to the man and t would have a part to play.

Lord Orr-Ewing (C) said he could not go along with the proposal that financing requirements of nationa-lized industries should be excluded from the public sector borrowing

industries in write-offs and capital grants since 1945 had been £40,000m. No one had yet solved the problem of how to stop a monoply power backed by the taxpayers from plunging the private sector competitors into bankruptcy. Lord Harris of High Cross (Ind) said that in the 10 years from 1970 to 1980 the net revenue of the £25,000m, less than its total payroll.
Yet over that period the average
prices of those industries' products
rose 25 per cent faster than the

general price index. Lord Ezra (L), former chairman of the National Coal Board, said he had been in a nationalized industry for 35 years, After 35 years (he went this problem. One would have thought that a society such as ours could at least over that timescale have found some way of reconciling istself with the concept of public

ownersmp.

If one wanted to criticize, say, the
coal industry it was no good
comparing it with a multiple store.
What one had to compare it with
wore other coal industries in western Europe in like situations. They suffered from similar problems. The publicly-owned enterprises generally happened to be in the

basic sectors, at the heavy end of the industrial economy. Everyone who had studied the subject knew that on and how to face up to it. been the target of attack by ministers either for putting prices up by too much or by not enough.

which were consistent, clearly defined and which made sense.
Attention should be drawn to the newhat quixotic manner in which chairmen and members of boards were appointed. They ought to try to devise a better system for doing this, and he suggested setting up a group of eminent personalities who could make recommendations of the sort of people who should be appointed to these jobs.

Names appeared to be deliberately leaked. It was not a rational way of operating in respect of those who were meant to lead these important

There were certain sectors which were likely to remain publicly owned. Could it not be agreed that



like a multiple store.

attempt to try to right some of the things that had gone wrong over the past 35 years? Here was an issue which went way beyond party barriers - an issue which related to the success of the industrial economy. The aim should be run as efficiently as possible and enable them to do so by the way in which the Government dealt with

publicly-owned sector of indust-was being reduced on a significascale and the return Government at the next election

Through its programme of privatization the Government had reduced the burden of the public sector on the rest of the coon proceeds from sales of assets, which reduced the public expenditure planning total and through the removal of any future borrowing recirements from the PSBR.

By the end of 1982-83 the programme of special asset sales would gave brought in receipts of about £2,000m and at least a further £7,500m was expected over the next three years. All these receipts directly reduced the PSBR with all that implied for inflation, texes, that implied for inflation, t interest rates and employment.

The Government's drive for of private finance. The public utilities and so-celled utilities and so-called "natural monopolies" could not be allowed permanently to remain unchal-It was a vital part of the

Government's policy to foster competition in the industries munications, energy supply, transport and postal services. It would not heatate to take further action

Exposing the industries to the full vigour of competitive pressures in the market place was vital to the economic resurgence of Britain Industries containing one-tenth of productive capacity could not be left to be feather-bedded either by monopoly powers or by knowledge that the public purse was always open to them. The Government was

Fowler calls on Labour to

Joint decision rather than need for veto

NUCLEAR DEBATE

airs, said in the Commons during exchanges in which Mr Frank Allam (Salford, West, Lab) asked it the Government intended to press for power to yeto cruise launchings, ngless though that would be. Mr Pym explained that the question of a veto did not arise because these eapons could only be used on the basis of joint decision. There was no

Mr Denis Healey, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign affairs (Leeds, East, Lab): Will he not accept the view of Field Marshall Lord Carver that there is no military case for the deployment of these weapons and accept the growing evidence that their actual deployment would be immensely damag-ing to public support for Nato in all the countries concerned?

proposals and ally himself with the great majority of people on both sides of the Atlantic who would Mr Pymm: I totally reject what he

was a party to considering and agreeing that the question of modernization should be addressed. am certain that the absence of modernized intermediate nuclear weapons leaves a partial formula intermediate nuclear weapons and a partial formula intermedi deterrent strategy.

We have meeting against us a strongly increasing number of SS20s and other weapons, and unless we modernize our own weapons - our present ones are ageing and out-of-date - there will be a gap in our

The whole basis of our defence policy is to deter war and preserve peace. We cannot afford in Nato to have any gap in that shield and that is why we are proceeding with these modernizations unless the Soviet Union are prepared to negotiate the

Mr Healey: The word "moderniza-tion" applied to these weapons is totally mistaken because there have been any intermediate land based missiles since Thor and Jupiter were withdrawn after the Russians had began deploying their SS4 and 5 missiles. To pretend that cruise is modernizing the short launch battlefield nuclear weapons

all. What we are facing is an escalating number of SS20s. If we had not taken the decision to had not taken the decision to sides, a balance, verifiable on both modernize we would have been exposed in that area.

Mr Pym said during later exchanges

Wr Pym said during later exchanges entitled.

rur Healey said Tories had suggest that his position on cruise had at mediate weapons would leave a gap on time been different from what it in the West's deterrent strategy, Mr was now. That (he said) is Francis Pym, Secretary of State for absolutely untrue. (Labour cheers.)

Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said in the Commons during exchanges. Foreign and Commonwealth Aff-

> obstructionist, and seem to have called on the Foreign Secretary to decided that they would try to confirm that it was still the British appeal over the heads of the Government's intention that the negotiators to public opinion in Western Europe.

Western Enrope.

They flatly refused to negotiate on the basis of the zero option. As a consequence of this, at the end of the round Ambassador Nitze, with Nato's full support, took the important step of offering to negotiate an interim agreement which would provide equal limits on the missile warheads of the the header exection. He case the table warheads of the table water exection. on the missile warheads of the By definition an interim agree-ment is far short of the complete elimination of a whole system of

C): Can be give any account of now between getting a balanced reduction in nuclear warheads rather than total number of missiles

Mr Pya: The proposal tabled at the end of the last round has not yet been dealt with in detail at the negotiating table because there is a break between that round and the next one. But we have had an immediate, or almost immediate, and apparently total rejection of the proposal by the Russians. Their minister held another press conference, his third. It lasted a long time and seemed to be totally negative.

So whether we like it or not, the position taken by the Soviet Union is a negative one, extraordinarily unhelpful. We have been rightly pressed by all parts of the House to be as forthcoming and positive as we can on arms control proposals. And we have met those requests in

conjunction with our allies. It is regrettable that we are receiving the response that we are. launch battlefield nuclear weapons being withdrawn by Nato is dishonest in the extreme.

Mr Pym: That is not the proposal at all. What we are facing is an escalating number of SS20s. If we had not taken the desired to the state of the proposal at all. What we are facing is an escalating number of SS20s. If we had not taken the desired to the desired to the proposal at the propo

who worked so hard to get the task force ready on time.

budget problem by June **EEC BUDGET**

Labour suggestions that a speech by M Gaston Thorn, President of the European Commission, at the European Partiament on Tuesday made clear that the Commission had no intention of taking part in negotiations for Britain's budget refund were answered by Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary. He confirmed that it was the wish of the EEC Council of Foreign Mimisters that the issue should be resolved at the June Council on intermediate range nuclear forces. Progress in the fourth round of the negotiations, which ended on March 28, was disappointing, he Mr Robert Hicks (Bodmin (C)

issue of the 1983 rebate for the United Kingdom should be resolved

Mr Pym: That was the clear wish of the Council. We shall see how things develop. It was the clear intention, which was missing before to come. the budget question. I hope that it will be so, as the summit decided. Mr Eric Heffer, Opposition spokesman on European and Community affairs. At the European Assembly see, but it is the next best alternative. tion were not taking any Mr Michael McNair-Wilson (New-part in the negotiations. Is it not for a June settlement have been

> This underlines what MPs on all sides of this House have been saying, that the European Assembly s becoming a Parliament and flexing its muscles, taking decisions and putting Parliaments like this one into an impossible position. Mr Pym: I have not seen the text of President Thorn's speech but having been at the Council I know what was decided. The Commission acts in accordance with those decisions so I have every reason to be satisfied

Mr Pym was later asked by Mr Edward Taylor (Southend, East, C) to restate his objectives for EEC reforms in 1983 in the light of Council of Ministers meetings on March 21 and 22.

carried out.

Mr Pym said: We have put forward proposals for developing European Community policy over the whole range of its activities. These include proposals for extending the internal of the next Parliament? market in goods and services, for Mr Pym: I think he reform of the operation of the election loser there.

Mr Tam Dalyell (West Lothian, Lab) asked: What is the Govern-ment's response to the Spanish

ment's response to the Spanish protests about the Invincible going to Gibraltar?

building on the agreed framework for an energy strategy, for a lasting solution to the Community's budget problem and for extending the regional and social policies. Our objectives have not changed as a result of the most recent meeting of the European Council,

though progress was made toward Mr Taylor: Will he explain the position about the issue of rebates, which is vital for Britain, as without

£5m a day.

Is it not serious if the Council of Ministers agree that we should get a rebate fixed in June and the President of the Commission announces in Strasbourg that the he do if we do not get the rebate? Mr Pym: Last month we received

the problem by June. I believe that solution, until a permament one can

Mr Renald Leighton (Newham, North-East, Lab): We are as far as ever from a permanent solution. During our membership wwe have handed over £4,000m, showing that Why, in equity, should we make any contribution at all and why

uld we not be a net beneficiary. as most other nations are? Mr Pym: If it were not for the rebates we have been receiving in recent years would not have been received at all, if we had left the

Labour Government

Gibraltar's border

It was inconceivable that Spain ships participating in exercise should join the European Community while restrictions remained to ordinary traffic between Spain and Gibraltar, Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said during the Spanish Government and the

commons questions on the nego-tiations for the entry into the community of Spain and Portugal. 10 have on Gibraltar?

Mr Hurd: We have made clear to the Spanish foreign min the Spanish that it is normal for he came here last month.

I do not agree that we are further away than ever from a lasting solution, precisely because there is a decision in the European Council to go for a lasting solution.

That has always been the British

Mr Heffer: Will he take consideration the commitment of that British withdrawal from the Community is the right policy to be

people the effect that these childish

Spain should join the Community while restrictions remain to ordi-nary traffic between Spain and

Mitchell: Amateurs like Sir Robin Day.

televised at some date in the future, and this could be seen as the first step towards that greater goal, although this measure only applied to select committees. Mr Joe Ashton (Bassetlaw, Lab),

Penlee lifeboat inquiry or inside the courts, because Britain had the sense to realize that witnesses could be inhibited by having a camera there and it could be more difficult to extract information from them. Some witnesses like Mr Ken committees were not for gaining publicity for a cause.

Water authority Bill instruction

to arrange for a select committee to consider an instruction successfully moved by Lord Beaumont of Whitiey (L) in connexion with the Severn-Trent Water Authority Bill: The instruction was that special attention should be paid to the authority's feasibility report summary and to the consultants' report on the assessment of agricultural benefits and costs of the Soar Valley

cost their pensions plan SOCIAL SECURITY

social security and housing benefits, introduced by the last Labour government, should be got rid of, Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, said when he moved the second reading of the Social Security and Housing Benefits Bill to change the uprating method to the historic or actual Mr Fowler said the so-called

The last Labour government made the change to the forecast method merely to save money -Under this Bill the uprating would be based on the actual inflation rate between May 1982

12 point plan for pensioners at the time of a pensioners' delegation to the House. On March 29 they lauched their plan New Hope For Britain which included an emerg-ency programme of action which an incoming Labour Government would carry out immediately. The 12 point plan for pensioners was not

have had to uprate by 6 per cent. By

forecast method had been used since 1976. An estimate was made, usually at Budget time, of what the inflation rate was going to be in the following November. But this had seven years the forecast had been

was the last date which would enable the department to carry out the work of uprating and ensure that No-one would be more pleased

that I (he said) if we could reduce further the time between the making of the annual uprating statement and the uprating itself. No-one wanted a wide time gap, least of all The new arrangements would be an improvement in that the time lag would be reduced to six months

Under the new method, the Government was leaving no gaps at all. Any increase in infistion taking

This strange emission was noticed by *The Times* who seemed to have some difficulty in finding an official Opposition spokesman to explain. It was left to Mr Jeffrey Rooker to explain that Labour's tommitment to the pensioners was so strong it went without saying, and that was why it has not been

According to The Times, Mr Peter Shore was costing the proposals at £500m but Mr Foot was costing them at £3 billion. He (Mr Fowler) thought it would be

Why did the pension plan

promise the rentitution of earnings link but the other document say that was practicable? The pension plan promised free TV licences for pensioners but the other document said the charge would be phased out during the

fetime of the Labour Government. There was a certain amount of explaining required from the Opposition. The best way to settle it would be for the Opposition to set out their proposals and costings and publish them.

The Government did not intend to make promises that could not be kept, but did intend to safeguard the livin standards of pensioners and others on social security benefits.

The Government stood on its Mr Bryamor John, chief Opposition If they gave that undertaking exokerman on social security. Labour would not divide the House. moved an Opposition amendment the minister was ahaking his head, and he presumed Hansard would not divide the House. The minister was ahaking his head, and he presumed Hansard would not divide the House. The minister was ahaking his head, and he presumed Hansard would not divide the House. The minister was ahaking his head, and he presumed Hansard would not divide the House. sate social security beneficiaries by the full amount of inflation at the November uprating thus imposing a hidden penalty on the lowest

> He said the Secretary of State was Doc Fowler, the itinerant medicine man with products caring everything from dandruff to diarrhoea. Not for him doubts, nor any room for an opinion other than his own. The criticism of Mr Fowler was

not that there were no wes the forecast method. The Opposition recognized that there were. The criticism was that Mr Fowler

4 per cent upraing and 6 per cent inflation when they later became employed. They could never be compensated for the gap. He preferred a forecast method but conceded that it was not without method of treating not only 10m method of treating not only 10m.

June announcement would be implemented in November. If he failed to meet that date it would be cruel. A longish gap between forceast and implementation was no Mr Fowler intervened to say that the difficulty was the weekly payments system which most pensioners appeared to want and so

long as that was so, what Mr John wanted was not possible.

Mr John said that once that gap was

The May inflation figure was likely to be 4 per cent, likely to be the lowest for this year and many more in future. By the forecast

using the lowest month, they believed they could save £500m by a disguised, and they hoped, unob-served clawback of 2 per cent of the 2.7 per cent they had overpaid last The Bill could result in a marrie

couple losing between 80p and £1.05 500 and 650 a week The only consolation in the whole of this operation (he said) is that the reverse Robin Hoods who are

stake for it. There was no need for the Opposition to vote against the Bill if the Government were to give an undertaking that if it turned out that inflation in November was ensure that social security benefic aries did not lose out by the change

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said) — an attempt to smuggle through a cut in the standard of living of the poorest in the land. That will outrage everyone. They Opposition has to record the revulsion at such devious trickery. Mrs Jill Knight (Birmingham, Edghaston, C) said the present proved wrong five times out of seven and was getting worse. No

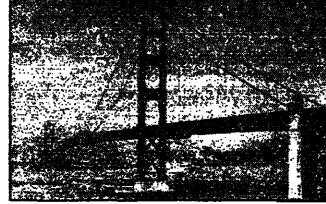
She had to express her disgust at the way pensioners were manoeuvred for political reasons into getting into buses and coming to the House of Commons by left wing people seeking political advantage. She had received complaints of pensioners being offered £15 and a free day in

method which was so patently

Lab) said the Bill was a shabby method of treating not only 10m pensioners but millions of other beneficiaries who were now going to get in November an increase which get in November an increase which would be significantly lower than the May figures, pensioners could get an increase of 2 per cent less than the inflation rate. It could be as much as 3½ per cent less in the mounth when they got their increase.

Mr Kenneth Carlisle (Lincoln, C) said pensioners deserved to be treated honestly. The Opposition's

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Cunard debate plea rejected

Mr Donald Dixon, (Jarrow, Lab) and many of the dead unsuccessfully sought an emergency debate on the placing of a contract for the reconversion of the liner Cunard Countess in a shipyard outside Britain. He said that the liner had just taken relatives of the

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Seat belts saving lives and cutting injuries, police computers show

The first real proof that seat passengers none of whom our point to those people who compulsory wearing of seat was wearing a seat belt died on believe the compulsory wearing belts is saving lives and Avon and Somerset's roads in of seat belts is an infringement substantially reducing serious February, 1982. This year that of personal liberty. I do not road injuries is beginning to toll among the same group was think saving people's lives can emerge from police computers halved.

seat belt law came into force, statistics is that few counties ham. University's accident are helping to confirm, in many appear to collate their road research unit described the new cases, the most optimistic accident material in the same predictions of doctors and road way.

of car and light goods vehicle drivers and front seat passengers during February has dismonth's statistics, especially categorically what the magni-closed that serious road injuries, when road and weather con- tude of the effect of wearing sea have fallen by up to half in ditions in February, 1982, were belts is, but there does appear to some counties, compared with markedly worse than this year, be a definite reduction in the figures for the same month in

In the West Midlands, for example, there were four deaths, 90 serious injuries and 252 slight injuries among car drivers and front seat passen-gers in February, 1982. In contrast there were two deaths, 68 serious and 227 slight injuries this February.

The number of accidents

causing damage only rose from 1.392 to 1,842 this February. North Yorkshire road safety officials have gathered the most detailed statistics for all road users affected by the new law, Casualties fell from 148 to 89 and serious injuries were down

dropped from 199 to 168 during the first six weeks of the new law. In Suffolk the death and injury rate dropped from 99 to but, more significantly, serious injuries were more than

halved from 39 to 17. Eight car drivers and front

throughout Britain.

Not all counties have recomAccident casualty figures ed such remarkable falls. One of woman said
collated for February, when the difficulties of comparing Dr Steve A Not all counties have record- of personal liberty", a spokes

An investigation this week by safety departments are treating been coming out of hospital The Times into the injury and the new figures with caution casualty departments recently. death rate for the crucial group and emphasizing that firm of car and light goods vehicle conclusions should not be drawn, from comparing one than one month before we say when road and weather conofficials are heartened by the decrease in casualties.

The Royal Society for the

there were four Prevention of Ascidents said - He claimed that the February yesterday the new figures were absolutely marvellous.

"It is exactly what we said would happen. It totally proves



Injuries of this kind

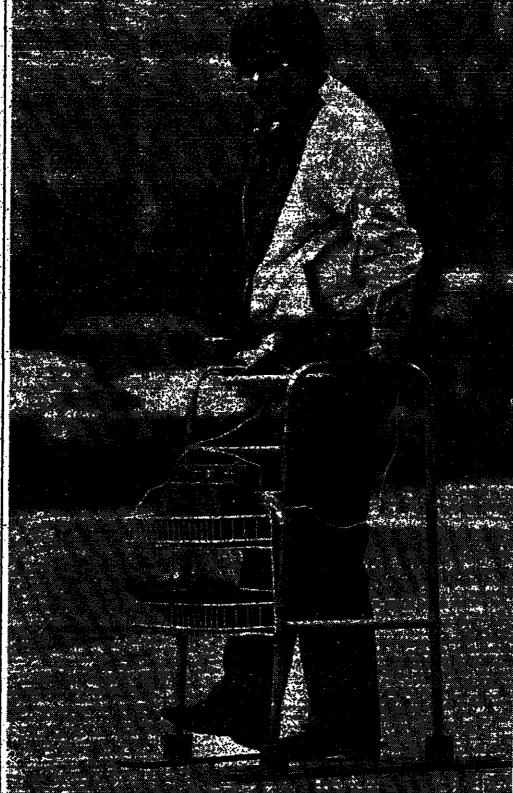
Dr Steve Astron, of Birmingcasualty statistics as encouraging. "They are definitely con-While police forces and road firming all the evidence that has casualty departments recently.
"We would like to want a

little longer and compare more tude of the effect of wearing seat scriously injured since compail sory belt use came in", he said.

figures, encouraging as they are that to reflect all the benefits of the new law, because the police definition of "serious" injury is so wide. "We would expect to see a lot of changes in the kind of injuries being received which ere not reflected in the statistics."

sponsored by the Department of Health and Social Security and led by Mr William Rutherford head of the accident and emergency department at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast, is examining the changing pattern of road injuries after the introduction of the seat belt law.

"The consultants whom w meet are suggesting there is a injaries,". Dr Michael Hayes, a member of the investigating



Walking again after 14 years

Mrs Jan Burgess from Swansea, demon-strating in London yesterday how an electronic power pack that triggers muscles into action has helped her to walk again after being paralysed from the waist down-

The device was developed by Dr Hugh Grenfell, a former chief research engineer with the Steel Company of Wales, who produces high technology for the disabled.

Similar work is being done in the United Harris).

States but Dr Grenfell's system aviods the use of cumputer and a mass of wiring. Mrs Burgess began using the equipment last year. Because her muscles had wasted away she was at first only able to raise and lower her legs. However, she has been walking since February.

There is now a real chance I will be able to climb steps and enter buildings" she said vesterday "instead of relying on people to lift me everywhere" (Photograph: Brian

New plastics may be used to make reusable car tyres

From Pearce Wright, Science Editor, Lancaster

Experiments with a new erials, copolymers, that may transform the manufacture of Society of Chemistry conference at Lancaster University.

There is intense competition between several research groups in Europe and the United States to perfect this family of substances. The level of work was indicated yesterday by Dr David Richards, of the Ministry of Defence's Propellants Explosives Rocketry and Materials Research Establishment in Es-

He described the advances in organic chemisty that have opened the way for a new generation of plastics that use less energy to produce, are stronger than their predecessors,

He outlined the reseach at a meeting on copolymers, plasics made from a combination of molecules. They form the bulk of industrial and heavy duty

The group that Dr Richards focused on is derived from butadiene, a material that is now used for some car tyres and for products such as briefcases

eneration of synthetic mat- generation appear to be simple because the molecules are altered by sticking an extra bit car tyres among other items, on the end. That changes the were described at a Royal chemical and physical properchemical and physical proper-ties of the plastic, giving it "polar" end. The process is comparable with that by which a small chemical group is added to molescules from which detergents are made to render them more soluble.

The effect on the new generation of copolymers is to make the polymer more stable at high temperatures, in particular at the high running temperature of the tyre of a car travelling at more than 30 mph.

One drawback of present materials is that at those temperatures they pass through the "glass transition" boundary, lose their rubber-like analities. and become distorted just as simple plastics do.

The new family of polymers can be moulded into shape and can be melted down and reused.

vulcanizing needed to introduce rigidity into the material of present day car tyres means that an old tyre cannot be easily reused; hence the environmental problem of

'Economist' uses satellite for US printing

By Bill Johnstone, Electronics Correspondent

will be reached today when pages of the American edition of The Economist are transmitted by satellite for printing in New England, US.

It is the first time that a European publication has used the transatlantic satellite, Intelsat V, on such a large scale for transmitting data for printing. The method will revolutionize the American operation of the British weekly and is expected to give it a marketing edge in the US as it attempts to compete, albeit modestly, with the mass-circulation Newsweek and Time. It is an important market for the British maga-zine, which sells about 40 per cent of its 2,480,000 copies in

North America. The pages will be set using video display terminals in north ondon where a photographic master is made of the copy. The master is scanned by a laser and the copy and pictures converted

A landmark in the history of into electronic pulses. These the European printing industry pulses, called digital signals, are then transmitted to an earth station satellite aerial in Mad-ley, Hertfordshire, by cable and beamed across the Atlantic via the satellite to Etam, Virginia.

Once in America the signals go by cable to Manhattan, New York, where the signals are converted back into pages and pictures onto a negative film. It is that film which is used as the master for printing the publication in Connecticut.

It will take about an hour to transmit the colour cover. Inside pages will take seven to

The electronic transmission and printing are a marked contrast to the method previously employed for the American edition when film for the editorial cover was produced on a Wednesday night in London and flown to New York by Concorde on Thursday

Farmers claim over drainage loss From Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent, Blackford Farmers are to claim annual set county secretary of the his grazing land was sometimes compensation of up to £100 an National Farmers' Union, said under water.

acre for not draining and the union would seek compenploughing high grade farmland sation for members who were president of the union, said that on the Somerset Levels. The restrained from draining bewhole 2500 acres have been cause they farmed on the bird declared an official site of refuge at West Sedgemoor on the order. His drainage scheme special scientific interest which the levels. chables farmers to claim state ompensation for lost profit.

dispute with naturalists about although it has not yet been Seventy per cent of the ditches the operation of wildlife protect declared an efficial area of would not be affected, as the

Further north, a government the ministry of Agriculture.

order had prevented Mr Chris- But the Department of the Most of the land on the levels topher Duckett from using Environment ordered him, on a owned by private farmers and drainage equipment on 70 acres advice from the nature Conserhad been the centre of a long of his land at Tealham Moor, vance Council, not to use it.

Sir Richard Butler,

it would support any appeal which Mr Duckett made against

on law. Scientific interest. He said council wanted to see weeds in Mr Anthony Gibson, Somer-yesterday that in wer simmers them, Sir Richard said.

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convert to coal firing. and do not disqualify applicants from the benefit of other grants, Regional Development Grants for example. The total capital available to aid conversion is limited and therefore early application is advisable. The NCB is also willing to assist by

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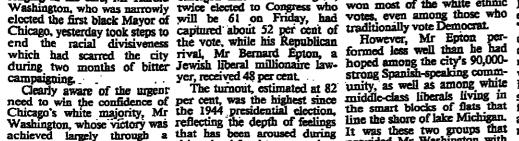
Black vote wins Chicago

Mayor tries to heal racial rift

ringing in his ears, Mr Harold emerged that Mr Washington, in record numbers. Mr Epton washington, who was narrowly twice elected to Congress who won most of the white ethnic

Washington, whose victory was reflecting the depth of feelings achieved largely through a that has been aroused during massive turnout of black voters, offered his hand "in friendship probably the dirtiest in Chicanand Chicana and fellowship to every living go's 150-year history. soul in this city". He added that "we must work as one people for our common good and our common goals".

Voting took place along predictably racial lines, with Mr Washington capturing over 30 per cent of the ballot aided by





Triumph: Mr Washington announcing his victory in the mayoral election.

French pack

their bags

Moscow

Speculation that the Russians

are about to retaliate against

French diolomats in Moscow

rose yesterday as the Soviet

cannot respond in kind, but is

expected to react by expelling a

in Paris represent a tenth of the

total Soviet representation in

Diplomatic sources said it

normally took the Soviet

authorities several weeks to

retaliate, but in recent cases

Last Friday, a week after

Britain had expelled two Soviet

diplomats and a Soviet journal-ist, Moscow ordered Squadron

widely respected foreign corre-

spondents in Moscow, said

before leaving that he hoped to

Pravda yesterday signalled that the "tit for tat" retaliations

would continue by printing a

Tass report condemning the "hysteria" and "provocative hullaballoo" surrounding the expulsion of Soviet officials

The report said a "muddy

wave of absurd allegations" about Soviet espionage had appeared in the French press

"in the style of trashy detective stories". The report noted that

the expulsions had been "leaked" in *The New York Times*, suggesting American

from France

has reacted more

The expelled Soviet officials

equivalent

proportionately

Moscow

quickly.

As the last results came in it blacks, who turned out to vote

his narrrow victory margin.

Despite his defeat Mr Epton nevertheless achieved the lar-The city has been run by victory in the Democratic primary last February Mr Epton was rated a total outsider. The fact that he fared as well as he did - largely because white Democrats did not want to have a black as the city's chief executive - will be a matter of deep regret to Mr Epton who has an excellent civil rights

> Washington's personal integ-Mr Washington will succeed Mrs Jane Byrne, who has been mayor of the city for the past four turbulent years. Mr Washington defeated Mrs Byrne and Mr Richard Daley, the son of Chicago of the same name, in

had tried in vain to discourage

his supporters from exploiting

the race issue and had instead

Mr Washington yesterday predicted that a new national Democratic coalition would emerge as a result of his victory. 'Out of the crucible of this city's most trying election, carried on the tide of the most massive voter turnout, blacks, whites, Latinos, Jews, gentiles, Protestants and Catholics of all stripes have joined hands to form a new Democratic coline the shore of lake Michigan. alition and to begin, in fact, a new Democratic movement."

It was these two groups that provided Mr Washington with However, Mr Epton rather sourly responded that Mr Washington will need all the help he can get if he is to run the gest vote for a Republican city effectively. "His expertise candidate in Chicago's history. in the area of finance certainly leaves a lot to be desired. But Democratic mayors and a maybe he will learn to pay his powerful Democratic party machine for the past 52 years, and until Mr Washington's This was a reference to the

short prison term Mr Washington served for failing to file tax returns. Mr Washington had also been accused of not paying personal bills and had once been suspended from practising law for cheating his clients.

Mr Washington's victory will have important consequences at both local and national level. In record. During the campaign he Chicago he has pledged to overturn the political machine which has dominated the city for the past half century and, in concentrated his attacks on Mr particular, to end the notorious patronage system which has traditionally provided city bosses with most of their power.

Nationally it means that the Democratic Party can heave a huge sigh of relief. A defeat for Mr Washington - due to a failure of white democrats to of the former legendary Mayor support a black candidate would have turned large numa tough, three-way primary bers of blacks against the election last February. Mr Democratic Party leadership. Washington's victory then, as There have recently been yesterday, was assured by his persistent suggestions that the garnering the solid support of blacks might run their own the city's blacks, who comprise about 40 per cent of the 1.6 million registered voters.

Democratic candidate for president the city's blacks, who comprise about 40 per cent of the 1.6 million registered voters.

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Peace tour of four capitals

in Moscow From Richard Owen to the region.

The representatives of Colombia, Venezuela, Mexico of Tuesday

press stepped up its criticism of the expulsion of Soviet officials from Paris last week. French diplomats said they President Belisario Betancur reported of Columbia, who inspired the tour, said in Bogata on Tuesday Washington had indicated that felt that some sort of response was inevitable. "I've already packed my bags just in case." one diplomat said. France expelled 47 Soviet

Tegucigalpa (AFP) – Foreign

Ministers of four Latin-American countries have arrived here terday that its fighters were after visiting three other central consolidating positions in two weeks (AP reports). A total an offensive by and 40 recorded while Government toops and Hondard Recorded an offensive by and 40 recorded while Government toops and Hondard Recorded Reco day on a mission to bring peace had repulsed an offensive by and 40 wounded, while Govern-

Señor Betancur said the peace and Panama described their effort had received several tour as a desperate effort to find setbacks in the past few hours, a way to bring Nicaragua and including an insulting letter Honduras to the negotiating from Schor Cordova of Honduras, a Columbian radio station

night that they were trying to it would accept the four-nation head off total war between the mission. He hoped Cuba and superpowers, the United States other countries would respond

President Kyprianou refused

committee by the General

In return, he espoused Mr.

4,000 Government troops on ment casualties were 34 dead and 14 wounded.

SAN SALVADOR: The Government has freed 31 political prisoners in the past spokesman said the move had nothing to do with a proposed amnesty for left-wing rebels, AP

 Captain Salvador Figueroa Morales, of the Salvadorean Army, has been arrested in diplomats and officials last and the Soviet Union. If they Tuesday: Since there are fewer want to clash, let them seek than 40 French diplomats in Other battlegrounds, away from Moscow, the Soviet Union Central America".

favourably.

Connexion with a massacre of at MANAGUA: The Defence least 18 peasants in Sonsonate Ministry said that 285 soldiers province last February, Reuter on both sides had been killed or reports.

Greece and Cyprus to appeal to UN

From Mario Modiano, Athens

The Greek and Cypriot estrangement between Athens governments have agreed to and Nicosia and made agreeraise the Cyprus question before ment possible on the text of the the UN General Assembly and Cypriot appeal at the next European summit conference, but at the same to disclose the content of the time to encourage new initiat- appeal, but made it clear that he ives and strive to make the would welcome the creation of intercommunal talks more some ad hoc international substantive.

Leader David Williams, the President Kyprianou of Cyp- Assembly British assistant air attache, and rus who returns to Nicosia Mr Anthony Robinson, the today after six days of talks in Papandreon's project that the Moscow correspondent of the Greece told the press yesterday: Turkish forces in Cyprus should be replaced by an expanded UN between the governments of peace force, the cost of which Greece and Cyprus both on Greece was prepared to should Financial Times, to leave the The two expelled Britons are to arrive at Heathrow on a British Airways flight today. Mr strategy and on tactics.

Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister, no longer makes the continuation of the intercommuncal talks in Cyprus conditional on the withdrawal of the Turkish troops occupying the north of the island.

Mr Papandreou told reporters on Tuesday: "It is clear that the bicommunal talks shall continue as long as this is a UN decision". He did not see that the solution of the Cyprus problem was possible outside the United Nations.

This new position of the Greek Government eliminated

Icy weather worsens for explorer

Arctic explorer, grew more serious yesterday as weather conditions on the ice cap unable to take off to drop rations to the explorer because a blanket of ice and fog covered much of the area.

Mr Hempleman-Adams, who is aiming to become the first man to walk solo to the North Pole, is stranded in a tiny tent and trying to preserve his few remaining supplies. He is thought to be on his last packets of food. The temperature is minus 35°C.

Although he is still in radio contact, members of his support team at Eureka, Canada, are becoming increasingly con-cerned by his physical and mental condition

The plight of David Hemple-man-Adams, the lone British worsened. A light aircraft was

The Middle East crisis



Middle East optimism: Mr Arafat and Mr Palme are all smiles after their talks in Stockholm on the chances of further negotiations based on the Reagan peace plan.

Israel's man with a mission

From Robert Fisk. Beirut

his visit to Lebanon.

Mr Samuel Flatto-Sharon took chocolate croissants and weak tea for breakfast yesterday then settled himself on the sofa of a well-appointed East Beirot apartment and refused to say anything about his reported efforts to secree the release of Israeli prisoners of

Was he negotiating on behalf of the Israeli Government? "No comment," Mr Sharon replied confidently. And according to the Israeli Defence Ministry, "No re-sponsible authority in the army or the defence establishment empowered Mr Flatto-Sharon to negotiate on Israeli

But lying conspicuously on a sideboard was a sheaf of documents listing personal details and rank numbers of at least nine Israeli soldiers believed to be in Syrian or

Furthermore, officials of the Christian Phalauge party in East Beirat seem quite con-

solved war in Lebanon and the

which have recently become available in the West Bank.

the new group named "No to the Award" held a press conference to publicize the

returned the official ribbons

recently awarded by the

Government to all those who

took part in the war in

military prison as a punishment

Yesterday the organizers of

West Bank

Lebanon.

rank.

Left steps up protests at

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem

with a new Government-spon- Palestinian town in the West

been sentenced to six days in Knesset deputies - have called

for his action and demoted in ship board to revoke a decision

Members of the group, who West Bank in a new Israeli film claim that it is the first time in called '83. The board is now to Israel's history that a campaign review its decision.

nal opposition to the unre- the order of the heart."

West Bank expansion

The Phalange even believe that the Israeli Army flew Mr Flatto-Sharon into their new vinced that Mr Sharon – a former membr of the Knesset is not only acting for the Israeli Army but has et several PLO officials in the course of airstrip near the town of Damour three days ago to help him in his mission

Curiously enough, Mr Flat-

East envoy - were discussing troop withdrawals from Leba-

non. He left shortly afterwards

on an Israeli military aircraft.

Mr Flatto-Sharon is known to regard himself as something

of an expert at securing the

release of prisoners and has

told Phalangists in Bearut that he helped free Jewish dissi-dents in the Soviet Union. Asked at Khalde if the

prisoners might be released, he replied: "I hope soon. There is hope."

Mr Flatto-Sharon is a mna with a past. The French to-Sharon was discovered yesterday afternoon standing outside the beachside hotel at authorities have vainly sought his extradition from Israel after sentencing him in absen-Khalde just south of Beirut tia to five years imprisonment where Israeli, Lebanese and for fraud and tax evasion.
In Israel itself, he is American negotiators - includ-ing Mr Philip Habib, President Reagan's special Middle

appearing against a nine-month prison sentence after being convicted of buying votes in the 1977 Knesset elections, in East Beirut, he was carrying his credentials as a former member of the Israeli parlia-The Phalange, however, are

under the impression that Mr Flatto-Sharon – despite his record - really is trying to secure the release of Israeli prisoners from Damascus and from Ahmed Jibril's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command.

Sartawi buried in Jordan

Left-wing Israelis opposed to ribbon has been presented while the hard-line security policies of a war is still in progress have the Begin Government have signed a petition which de-launched a series of protests clares: "We went to this war by designed to demonstrate inter- the order of the law, but not by Amman (Reuter) + Issam Sartawi, the moderate Palestinian leader assassinated in Portugal on yesterday in Martyrs Cemetery Meanwhile, a separate group in a simple ceremony. continued expansion of Jewish of some 30 members of the

His widow and four sisters settlements in the occupied Peace Now movement have were at the graveside as Vest Bank: established a "protest settle-The moves have coincided ment" near Nablus, the largest Palestinian soldiers lowered the teak coffin.

Nearly 1,000 people attended the funeral, including Prince Raad bin Zaid, King Hùsain's sored campaign - the most Bank in an effort to counter the expensive of its kind ever Government's plan to establish organized – to persuade Israeli a new Jewish settlement there families to move to 4,000 new next week on the 35th anniverapartments and building plots sary of Israel's independence.

Which have recently become The new settlement is Chamberlain, Mr Hassan Ibra-him, the Jordanian Minister of State for Occupied Territories Affairs, M Jacques Alain de Sedouyds, the French Ambassaeventually intended to become the Jewish suburb of "Upper dor, and several Palestine Liberation Organization offi-

The protesters, who maintain cials.

that they will soon be joined by Mr Sartawi was shot while scores of other peace activists, attending a Socialist Interhundreds of reserve soldiers have set up tents inside a national congress as a PLO and officers have already compound surrounded by bar-observer. After prayers yesterday at the

a generator to the site to Jordan University mosque the illuminate a large sign declaring coffin, draped in the Palestinian "No annexation." In a third move, members of Liberation Army ambulance to One of the campaigners, the Association for Civil Rights the cemetery, where many Sergeant Carlos Weiner, has in Israel – and a number of Palestinians are buried.

LISBON:Mr Anwar Abu Eishen, a PLO member, who was injured when Sartawi was shot, was yesterday discharged from hospital and boarded an aircraft for Tunisia, Susan MacDonald writes.

West accused of strengthening grip of apartheid ing infrastructure, material and expertise, and in some cases British banking interests have provided loads for the projects.

The council also mentioned a 1982 report in the Morning Star of London, which said that
of London, which said that
British Electricity International
was paying the wages of a senior
official working on South
Africa's nuclear programme in
defiance of British Government

comprehensive and mandatory sanctions against South Africa

Iranian oil well hit in Gulf naval battle

Eahrain (Reuter) - Iran and Iran, locked in ground and air clashes since Sunday, have fought a naval battle in the Gulf, and Iran claims that one of its offshore oil wells was hit by a missile.
Iraq said its havy sank two

seell Elors

big Iranian naval vessels which approached its coast, but did not mention any attack on oil wells. But the Iranian news agency IRNA said the Iraqis used six gunboats and helicaters against the oil well.

Mr Hossein Mousavi, the Iranian Prime Minister, in an interview with Tehran radio, indirectly accused Iraq of trying to pollute the Gulf but said there was no new oil spill. News of the battle disrupted a crisis meeting in Kuwait of Gulf states ministers to discuss the huge oil slick affecting much of the Gulf.

Cyclones leave trail of havoc

Calcutta (Reuter) - A fourminute cyclone killed at least 50 people and injured 1,500 when it ripped through a coastal district: in West Bengal. More than 6,000 people, were made homeless in 21 villages about 25 miles from here, destroying houses and uprooting power poles.

PAPEETE: The worst cyclone to hit Tahiti in modern times swept over the island, killing one person, injuring 26, and leaving more than 5,000 home-less, AP reports.

Bomb attack in **Philippines**

Zamboanga City (AP & AFP) - Three bomb explosions in this city on Mindanao island in the Philippines killed a mayor's son and nephew and wounded 10 other people. The military said the attacks came a month after they had uncovered an alleged Muslim rebel plot to "create distrubances'

In Manila intelligence agents arrested Mr Antonio Maria Nieva, a prominent journalist and leader of a newspaper

Atlantic defeat



Robin Knox-Johnston (above), who left New York 11 days ago in his catamaran Sea Falcon, has failed in an attempt to cross the Atlantic in record time. A force 2 wind robbed him of the chance to beat the present record of 9 days 10 hours 6 minutes, held by Marc Pajot of

Saudis injured

Athens (AP) - A parked car in an Athens suburb, injuring the First Secretary of the Saudi Arabian Embassy and his driver as their car passed by.

Lippizaners die

Vienna (AP) - A herpesinduced epidemic - equine rhino-pneumonitis - has killed three more of Austria's prized Lippizaner horses, bringing the death toll to 39.

Singer banned

Harare (AP) - A Zimbabwe concert tour by Jimmy Cliff, the Jamaican reggae singer, has been cancelled after the Government said he would be banned because he had per-formed in South Africa in 1979.

Fainting gunman Swansea, Massachusetts (Reuter) - A bungling bank robber fainted when the

woman cashier he held up at gunpoint said she had no raoney. He had also locked his getaway car with the keys

Correction

The 39-storey International Trade Centre in Dubai is about 500ft high, not 130ft as stated in Letter from Dubai on April 8.

Dioxin route disclosed

bitterness and outrage at the customs document accompanyexpulsions, and an open letter ing toxic waste from Itlay's from the deputy director of a worst environmental disaster Ukrainian engineering plant showed that the shipment was who said he had worked with bound for a French company in

Tass carried a statement by a Rome (AP) - An Italian pany, which oversaw the ship-Soviet composer expressing company said yesterday that a ment of the waste, said that 41 drums of the toxic waste from the site of a chemical plant explosion in Seveso, near Milan in 1976 left Italy for St who said he had worked with French technicians and was sure they did not believe "this anti-Soviet slander."

bound for a French company in Quentin, 75 miles northwest of Paris, to be delivered to a French company called Speliwaybill released by the com-

and South Africa has increased posed by during the past year, thereby strenghtening and encouraging the policy of apartheid, and South Africa's hold over Namibia.
This is stated in a report by

President Kyprianou: Full

From Zoriana Pysariwsky, New York economic and and other Western countries orities in Taiwan were cooperatdiplomatic cooperation between were in violation of the arms ing in the development of a western industrialized countries embargo against Pretoria im- strategic cruise missile mounted posed by the UN Security Council in 1977. Armscor, the arms manufac-

turing corporation owned by the South African Government, has been able to produce under This is stated in a report by licence and acquire through the United Nations Council for purchases a wide range of Namibia, which consider itself the legal authority of the territory controlled by South Africa. the growing relationship between South Africa and Israel Military and nuclear contacts in the military and nuclear between South Africa and the fields was of particular concern.
United States, Britain, France, It cited reports that South It cited reports that South West Germany, Belgium, Israel Africa, Israel and local auth-

on a small pilotless jet, which would have the ability to avoid radar detection by flying at very low altitudes, and would maintain a nuclear warhead delivery capacity within a radius of 2,700 kilometres.

bed wire. They have also taken

on the film and theatre censor-

banning an episode about the West Bank in a new Israeli film

Although in the last few years the United States has superseded it in total volume of trade with South Africa. Britain has remained Pretoria's most important trading partner, British industry continued to

be involved in South Africa's main energy projects by supply-

policy. The report recommends that

the Security Council should proceed without delay to im-

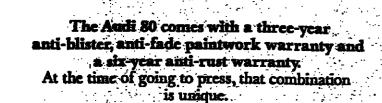
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The Audi 80CD has a 5-cylinder engine giving it the performance of 6 cylinders and the economy of 4. Nothing else has (why not, you may ask).

The Audi 80 is front wheel drive, unlike the Ford Sierra, BMW 3 Series and Alfa Giulietta, which all quaintly insist on pushing you around corners.

The Audi 80 has an econometer and gear shift indicator
to help you squeeze the last fraction of a mile out of every gallon; the Vauxhall Cavalier and Alfa Giulietta are extravagant by comparison.



Eleven people have been murdered in Sicily in a flare-up of Mafia violence during the Europe's largest active vollast 24 hours. Six were killed in two attacks in Palermo, four in Catania in the east, and one in Gela in the south. Rivalry between clans of the crime syndicates involved in the international drug racket were responsible, according to the

This latest wave of killings is the most violent since the assassination last September of General Carlo Alberto Dalla Cimesa, a Caribinieri general sent to Sicily with a brief to stamp out the Mafia.

Among Tuesday's Palermo victims was "Nino the rich" Signor Antonino Sorci, aged 78, described as a lieutenant of the late Lucky Luciano, the underworld leader whom the authorities expelled to his native Italy after the last war.

Signor Sorci's 28-year-old son Carlo, who died with him, had in his pocket an air ticket for a flight yesterday to New York. Both their names were on a list of 162 suspected drug traffickers drawn up by the police last

Signor Sorci's car was

Etna rumbles on Catania, Sicily (Renter) -An eruption at Mount Etna,

cano, showed no sign yesterday of abating, more than two weeks after it began. A luxury cablecar, a ski lift, mountain cabins for summer tourists, roads, woods and

electricity pylons have been damaged or destroyed, but no densely populated areas are Signor Carmelo Stuziale. 2 volcanologist at Catania University, said there were three

distinct lava flows down the

south, south-east and south-

west faces of the volcano.

Palermo on Tuesday night. His son was gunned down from a

passing car.
The Sorci family was stated gang which had operated an underground narcotics refinery, discovered last year when more than 100lb of morphine and heroin were seized.

Signor Sorci, was a contractor who built a villa in Palermo where two years ago police broke up a meeting of gangland

Signor Sorci's car was Not far away three members ambushed in the centre of the Romagnolo family were

as they stood outside their shop selling shoes and leather goods. The main target appears to have been Signor Giuseppe Romagnolo, aged 40, who was released from Palermo prison last month. He was killed.

The only victim not sus-pected of Mafia connexions was Signor Carmelo Basile, aged 43, security guard, who was shot dead as he entered his home near Catania

The other dead man of some importance was Signor Giuseppe Misuraca, aged 70, shot yesterday in a Palermo street by two men on a motor cycle, he was described as an elderly Mafia boss who had several times been sentenced to terms of imprisonment.

In a separate incident, nine people were arrested vesterday for fraud in connexion with the by police to be linked with a gang which had operated an ment funds in public works in Palermo, and the public pros-

> Among those arrested was Signor Ludovico Martellucci, aged 59, a builder and brother the Christian Democrat Mayor, Signor Nello Martellucwas resigning.



West German census postponed

Jubilant lawyers and plaintiffs celebrating their victory yesterday after the West German Constitutional Court in Karlsruhe ruled that a census planned for April 27 should be

postponed. The court granted an injunction to two Hamburg lawyers and a law student, pending investigation of the legality of the first census since 1970; Reuter reports.

An Interior Ministry spokesman said that the ruling meant no new ci, who recently announced he census could be taken for at least a

The lawyers, backed by trade unionists, the opposition Social Demo-cratic Party (SPD) and hundreds of anti-census groups argued that the census would violate constitutional rights to privacy.

The president of the court said the injunction, valid for three months, did not pre-empt a final decision on whether the census would be beaned or authorized in a modified form.

Herr Hans-Jochen Vogel, SPD take proper care in preparliamentary leader, welcomed the census. He said the need for injunction, and the Green party survey was beyond dispute.

described it as an endorsement of public resistance to the project.

Herr Friedrich Zimmermann, Interior Minister, who inherited re-sponsibility for the census when he took office in October, denied any suggestion that the ruling reflected criticism of his administration, A spokesman for the ruling Christian Democratic Union (CDU) said that the previous SPD Government did not take proper care in preparing the census. He said the need for a national

Mr Jan Narozniak, an active member of the KOR dissident group, was stopped last summer by a police patrol. When he tried to escape he was shot in the leg and taken to hospital under heavy guard. There the MRKS group contrived Mr Narozniak's escaped from the operating theatre where the guards were forbidden to enter. According to unofficial sources at the time, he was put into a laundry bag and escaped down a rubbish chute.

Solidarity

'arranged

escape of

shot man' From Roger Boyes

Nine Solidarity activists on trial at the Warsaw Military

Court were responsible for

smuggling a wounded unionist

out of hospital, evading militia

guards in the contidor, accord-

ing to the Army newspaper

The activists, who belonged

to an underground group known as the Interactory Workers' Solidarity Committee

(MRKS), have been on trial for

almost a fortnight accused of

inciting strikes and street

demonstrations in Warsaw, publishing illegal publications

designed to disturb public order, and "resorting to terror against their political op-

But according to the Army

newspaper, the group which had underground links with 63 factories, was instrumental in

making Warsaw one of the most

active underground centres in

Poland. Two hundred people

had been investigated in con-

nexion with the group and 21

arrested, though so far only nine

Zolnietz Wolnosci.

ponents".

are facing trial.

Meanwhile, the military prosecutor of the Wroclaw garrison has published a report which declared that an inquiry has exonerated the police in shooting incidents in the copper town of Lubin last August during which two people died. A third subsequently died of his wounds.

"When the increasingly impudent--demonstrators became still more aggressive, the order-keeping forces used fire arms, shooting blanks as a warning", the report said.

Several policemen were then encircled and "under circumstances of direct threat to life and health" they used live ammunition, shooting above the heads of the crowd. the bullets ricocheted, mortally wounding two demonstrators. Apart from the third who

subsequently died, "four other people were wounded by rifle injured by petards and tear gas

Pondering the message of urban decay

The great cities of the world the Environment, proselytizes Greater London lost a quarter ing, as in many of the big re dying, most students of the on behalf of the Government's of a million in population. Mediterranean cities such as are dying, most students of the on behalf of the Government's of a million in population. subject agree; but there is room

for Economic Cooperation and alia, programmes for rehabili-tating the inner city, costefficiency in public services, enterprise zones and tax con-

time that those particular among the world's most ruinisters with urban portfolios have met at international level, reflecting the "growing recogthe unchallenged leader in nition that cities have a key role 1983, according to a survey to play in achieving sustainable compiled by Business Intereconomic development".

Leaving aside the more search company, parochial political obsessions of For the second the member nations, which will dictate, for example, that Lord throughout the world, followed Bellwin, Minister for Local by Tokyo and Cairo. Mexico Government and Environment City was at the bottom end,

keenness to forge a partnership

for discussion as to whether that between private and public and Lyons, crippled respect. Ankara, "there, as in the cities moribund urban condition sectors in the service of urban ively by declining car and of north-west Europe in an signals an opportunity for reclamation on the cheap, the textile manufacturing, shrank earlier period, pell-mell popularisment in Goddhaab, seems renaissance or truly the begin-symposium will have some by more than a fifth. Liverpool lation increase and immigration set to continue in power as a ning of the end.

Today, accordingly, member countries of the Organization

Osaka and Stockholm lost at The Hague, Duisberg and even capacity of the authorities to With its share of the vote

Development meet in Paris for city residents during the sev- shadows of their former selves.

Cities as diverse as Detroit Barcelona, Milan, Athens, and least 15 per cent of their inner Basle are rapidly becoming prepare relevant development plans and finance services such two days' consideration of inter enties. During the same period Where populations are grow- as sewers, water supplies",

Lagos world's most expensive city

It is, says the OECD, the first the dollar has shifted rankings national, an independent re-

For the second year Lagos topped a list of 86 cities

Geneva (AP) - The rise of Lagos's 144, and New York's companies determine the cost of living differentials paid to

The strength of the dollar made all cities, except Lagos, cheaper for Americans, compared with a similar survey last year. But the trend also put three American cities, San Fransisco, Chicago and New York, back among the top 20, and thus less of a bargain for non-Americans.

which advises hundreds of compiled the survey to help of living differentials paid to

expatriate executives. The weighted index is based on a food "basket", household supplies, recreation, transport and selected other items. Oslo, which ranked number three worldwide with an index figure of 125, remained

Europe's most expensive city.
A 12 city "guide on travel costs", also released by Business International, showed companies. London as the most expensive place for visiting exectives.

Dead heat in Greenland poll

From Christopher Follett

Copenhagen
The ruling moderate left-wing anti-EEC Simmut Party of Mr Jonathan Motzfeldt, chairman of the Landsting, Greenland's

With its share of the vote dropping to 42 per cent Siumut lost its absolute majority in the Landsting in a dead heat with the main opposition party, the right-wing pro-EEC Atassut, which saw its electoral support increase to 46 per cent. Both parties now holding 12 seats in the 26-seat Landsting.

At the first poll in Greenland, which achieved home rule under the Danish crown in 1979, the island's two main parties' share of the vote was the reverse.

As expected, the small leftwing Inuit Eskimo nationalist party took advantage of this week's polarised vote to gain entrance to the Landsting for the first time with around 10 per cent of the vote. They have two seats and the prospect of EEC, which Greelanders nar-



Mr Motzfeldt: Still in command

influencing developments in the from the Community by Janua-

Inuit has demanded more Ty 1, 1984. rapid "Greenlandisation", including complete local control of the vast icebound territory's lead, zinc, cryolite and uranium at present shared with Den-

mark. It also wants a strengthening of ties with the neighbouring Eskimos of North America, as well as a total breach with the

referendum last year.
According to Ritzau, the
Danish national news agency, Mr Motzfeldt, acknowledging his party's losses, said he would continue relying on shifting parliamentary alliances to rule the territory but offered to cooperate with the Inuit party. He is sure of the support of Atassut for his attempts to secure an associate trade agreement with the EEC, such as is enjoyed at present by the British Faikland Islands, the Dutch Antilles and French Polynesia, in the current delicate negotions with Brussels on withdrawal

Greenland, whose status within Denmark is similar to that of the Isle of Man in the of the vast icebound territory's United Kingdom, joined the rich mineral resources such as EEC reluctantly along with Denmark in 1973.

The island's decision to opt out of the EEC will lose it an estimated 200,kroner (15.4m) annually in aid from Brussels making the economy one of Mr Motzfeldt's new government's main preoccupations



Defector names Japanese 'spies'

Mr Stanislav Levchenko, the Liberal Democratic Party codeSoviet spy who defected to the named "Grace", a member of Liberal Democratic Party codeunited States in 1979, has Parliament and an influential stirred up a political horner's member of the Japan Socialist nest in Japan by naming several Party as well as several other there who worked as KGB intelligence operations, I really think Japan is a paradise for spies," he says.

Mr Levenko plans to write his own account of his life as a mr Levchenko says that the definition of a KGB agent is prominent Japanese whom, he politicians, journalists and busisaid, he had himself recruited as agents for the KGB. They included a former Cabinet minister.

The names are included in a Condesced was a former Cabinet foreign Ministry code clerk passed messages to the KGB. The Foreign Ministry is investigation.

condensed version of a book gating the matter, as are the appearing in Render's Digest, police. Those available for based on Mr Levchenko's comment have denied the experience in Tokyo, and in an interview accompanying the article.

Japanese version of Reader's

According to Reader's Digest, Digest Levchenko claims to 26 people are mentioned in the book, either by code names or Japan and dealt with many real ones. A former Labour more. While he was in Japan during the mid-1970's, he says, er", a member of the ruling there were at least 200 people

his own account of his life as a Mr Levchenko says that the spy sometime this year. His definition of a KGB agent is story so far has been told in the broad, and that wether someone Reader's Digest book, KGB is one wittingly or unwittingly Today: The Hidden Hand. In the interview, Mr Lev-

ceptons on the KGB were naive." They (the Japanese) do not know that the KGB is Japanese people generally are actually a real thing which fascinated by gaijin (foreigners) operates across Japan. The KGB is taking full advantage of the innocence of the Japanese cases, money is involved.

He does not cite more names people, and recruiting Japanese partly because "some Japanese agents before they realize what

is one wittingly or unwittingly does not matter, some of those named in the book denied ever chenko says that Japan's per- having met Levchenko.

Asked how the KGB recruits agents in Japan, he says: "The

have committed suicide in cases is happening."

like these. But conceivably,
Japan, which does not have circumstances might force me an anti-espionage law, is "defi- to name more names in the

Moscow wants Asian security talks

From Richard Owen, Moscow

Soviet officials said yesterday of repeated Soviet proposals for surrounding waters were "brist- of an agreement on European that Moscow was actively an Asian "collective security ling with nuclear weapons". medium range missile respectively. Tokyo has denied this, and ductions at Geneva. conference which would take into account the fears raised in China and Japan by the stationing of medium range missiles in Soviet Asia.

Officials said the proposal for a regional security conference with Soviet participation had been discussed during a recent visit to Moscow by a large Japanese political and trade

Moscow has said that it will do more than dust off long standing proposals, however, and has offered to discuss the "changed circumstances" of Soviet-Asian relations, including the anxieties aroused by the deployment of SS20s in the Soviet Far Fast

Mr Gromyko's charge that Gromyko's charge that the island of Okinawa is "a huge nuclear weapons base". He also claimed that South Korea and the Indian Ocean base of Okinawa is "a huge nuclear weapons base". He also claimed that South Korea and the Indian Ocean base of American missiles aimed at Russia.

To the alarm of Asian

To the alarm of Asian

powers, the Russians have said

other Asian countries, including



Floral tribute: Mr Zhao Ziyang, China's Prime Minister, being presented with a bunch of flowers at Christchurch airport yesterday at the start of his official visit to New Zealand.

China finds its army too far to the left

From David Bonavia

One of China's key military commanders has urged the armed forces to work harder to climinate "leftist" attitudes which, he says, are harmful to the fighting spirit of the troops and the prestige of the Chinese

Army. General Li Desheng, com-mander of the important North-Eastern Military Region border-ing on the Soviet Union, was quoted in the People's Daily esterday as indicating that military opposition to political dissension and important of Western cultural influence was

too severe. The region's command cen-tre, the city of Shenyang, was seen as a hotbed of leftism in the last years of Mao Tse-tung. The article, reprinted from a political journal in Liaoning province, said good progress had been made in rooting out

leftism in the Army, especially since the appointment of Mr Deng Xiaoping, China's elder statesman, to bead the Central Military Commission in 1981. However, it added that "some comrades" had show leftist influence in their criticism of such phenomena as the "Democracy Wall" outburst of political wall posters in 1979, and of the craze for bell-bottom trousers and modern dancing in

1980, in attacks on liberal literary trends, and in blaming economic crime on relaxation

of party policies in 1982.

Hanoi to cut troops in Cambodia

and its two neighbouring allies, rotated elements of its garrison Laos and Cambodia, an in Cambodia. Western diplonounced vesterday that a partial mats in Hanoi said that between withdrawal of Vietnamese 10,000 and 12,000 Vietnamese troops from Cambodia would troops had left Cambodia and take place next month, Hanoi had been replaced by an radio reported. unknown number of fresh radio reported.

The announcement came after an unexpected meeting of foreign ministers from the three countries on Tuesday, in Phnom Penh.

The announcement came soldiers.

PEKING: China accused Vietnam of committing three new armed provocations along their common border in the

A communique, quoted by Hanoi radio and monitored in Bangkok, said that the troops would be withdrawn because of the stable structure. the stable situation in Cam-

annual withdrawals from however, predict that the Cambodia beginning this year. It first announced last July that will be north of Aranyaprathet it was withdrawing some of its where two large estimated 180,000 troops there. East Asian Nations (Asean), located.

Bangkok (Reuter) - Vietnam said that Vietnam merely

That military officials in Bangkok say that a large Vietnamese force is poised for a final drysesses and that the incidents had "serifinal drysesses and that the incidents had "serifinal drysesses and the live endeanered the live and the l ously endagnered the lives and final dry-season attack on Cambodian guerrillas on the Thai border before Hanoi loses its military advantage with the onset of monsoon rains ex- ARANYAPRATHET: Vietpected late this month or in namese troops ambushed a Thai patrol near the Gulf of

reports.

Sporadic fighting was re Vietnam pledged in February that, depending on the secutiry situation, it would make regular ern and Thai military analysts. timated 180,000 troops there. opposition Khmer People's The Association of South-National Liberation Front are

Universities protest at race quotas assassin

From Michael Hornsby,

Johannesburg The vice-chancellors of South Africa's four main Englishspeaking universities have issued a strong joint protest against legislation going through Parliament which would force them to observe racially based quotas for the admission of black students.

The protest was agreed at a meeting earlier this week called after the first reading by Parliament of the legislation. It was attended by the vice-chan-cellors of the universities of Cape Town, Natal (Durban and Pietermaritzburg), Rhodes (Grahamstown) and the Witwatersrand (Johannesburg).

Witwatersrand (Johannesburg).
Professor D. J. Du Plessis,
the vice-chancellor of the
University of the Witwatersrand, told The Times yesterday
that the new legislation, if
implemented, would be even
more objectionable than the
existing unacceptable interexisting unacceptable inter-ference with universities rights.

"The new system would require us to refuse someone entry on the basis of colour once the quota has been exhausted. Even if the quotas were reasonably generous - and we do not have the faintest idea what size they would be - we would find the principle on which they are based totally repugnant."

Diary of a would-be

From Christopher Thomas New York

A grisly diary of death of the man who shot Governor George Wallace of Alabama and plotted to kill President Richard Nixon is up for sale.

Arthur Bremer will spend most of his life in prison for the shooting in a shopping precinct in Maryland in May, 1972. Governor Wallace, who has been undergoing treatment lately for bouts of depression will spend the the rest of his life in a wheelchair.

The diary Bremer's plans to assassinate the Governor: "Great idea get a 3 x 5 confederate flag. drape it over my shoulder to conceal the gun in my hand. An easy way to approach the great Govenor, to shake his humble hand. And shake his heart, lungs, and maybe a head shot or two..."

He adds: "Life outside ain't too hot. I want to do something cold and dramatic,

forceful and dynamic."

The diary also describes his plans to stalk Mr Nixon's daughter, Julie, and her husband Mr David Eisenhower. The opening entry states: "Now I start my diary of my personal plot to kill by pistol either Richard Nixon or George Wallace. I intend to shoot one or the other.

Railway apartheid stays

to be enforced on trains and in railway stations in South Africa, Mr. Hendrik Schoeman, the Transport Minister, has told Parliament.

Mr. Hendrik Schoeman, the Transport Minister, has told Parliament.

Mr. Albertal Partheid is being viewed as a gesture to try to appease dichard Nationalists in by-elections in May in which Dr. Treurnicht's Conservatives are

stated government policy to ment members, particularly Mr scrap what it terms "harmful" Fanie Botha.

discriminatory measures. to be one of the most verligte likely to be gradually elimi-(liberal), members of the nated. He told the opposition Treurnicht, broke away and minorities from "being crowded formed the Conservative Party. out and trampled underfoot".

Strict apartheid will continue Mr Schoeman's statement on His statement conflicts with attempting to unseat govern-

Despite Mr Schoeman's Mr Schoeman is considered statement, railway apartheid is

Moscow has said that it will rejects Mr Gromyko's charge

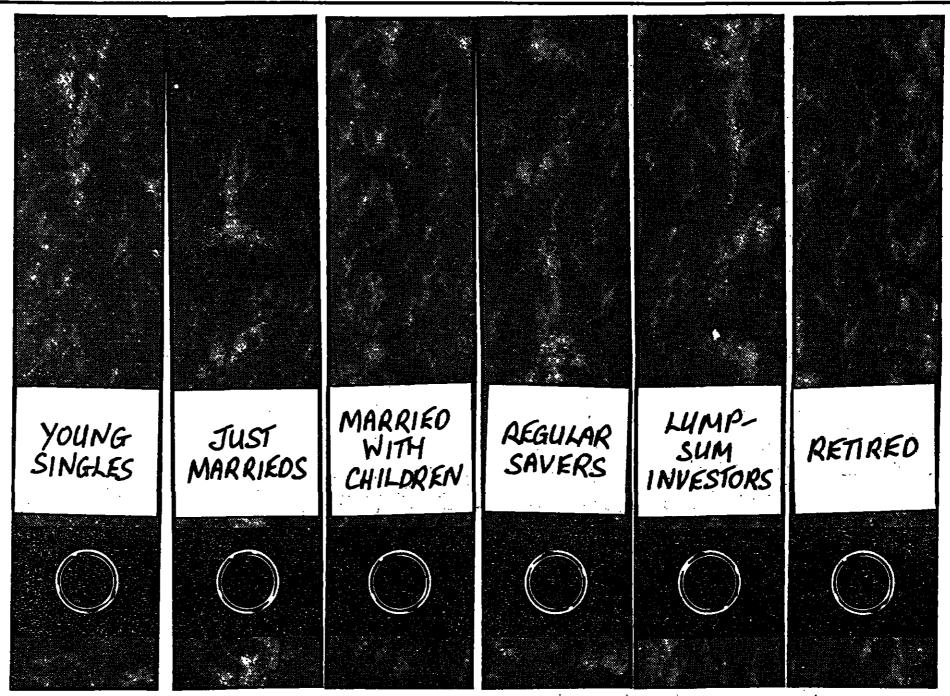
Mr Andrei Gromyko, the they need to station medium Soviet Foreign Minister, said at range rockets in the Far East to delegation.

Sources said the Japanese response had been sceptical. Japan and other Asian powers have in the past been suspicious

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Note Foreign Minister, said at range rockets in the Far East to counter this "threat to Soviet officials said they would none the less approach proposed moving some of its have in the past been suspicious tary bases, and that Japan and SS20s beyond the Urals as part

Diplomatic sources said they doubted whether Japan and China would agree to a regional security conference. Peking is already engaged in bilateral "consultations" with Moscow on a range of issues, and the Japanese would prefer to see the problem of missiles in Asia included in a broadened version



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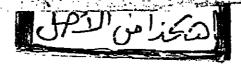
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"WE'RE NOT JUST IN THE BUSINESS OF CREATING HOMES."



"WE ALSO CREATE JOBS?

NEW BUILDING COULD SPEARHEAD ECONOMIC REGENERATION. Sir Campbell Adamson, Chairman of Abbey National speaking at the Annual General Meeting on 13 April 1983 said:

. . . at a time when unemployment is affecting an alarmingly high proportion of the country's workforce - including Abbey National membership - I should like to reflect on how our activities affect employment prospects. It has been argued that in the 1930's a great upsurge in house construction financed by building society money helped considerably to pull the country out of the slump. The forecast rate of starts this year may not represent a boom of those proportions but is an indication that the confidence needed to get the economy off the ground may be returning. It is hoped that our allocation of £750m for new house building will be an added incentive for companies, large and small, to expand their labour force. New and growing communities also bring new opportunities for local tradesmen and commercial enterprises, giving a welcome boost to mature businesses.

In inner city areas, I am not yet convinced that the full implications of Abbey National involvement in improving housing conditions has been grasped by the business world. These areas represent a large market where finance is now, perhaps for the first time, readily available. The success of our showhouse programme will be measured in terms of the impetus given to householders to improve their homes. This in turn will bring an expansion of employment opportunity and have a beneficial 'knock on' effect for the economy of the areas as a whole. Similarly, the role of Abbey Housing Association is important in providing new housing.

I think we can rightly say that we are not just in the business of creating homes. We also create jobs.

Among the other points made by the Chairman:

HOME SERVICE

Given that the building society industry can attract sufficient receipts, private housing starts this year could exceed 160,000. We have set ourselves an overall £3 BN lending target for 1983, of this £750m will be set aside to finance new house building - the largest sum ever allocated by a building society for the housing industry. Of this £750m. £100m has been earmarked for inner city building projects.

Over 25% of our lending last year went into pre-1919 housing.

We have established a programme to buy run down properties in urban areas to refurbish as showhouses. Our intention is to show local people what can be done with mortgage and improvement grant aid. We are currently involved in discussions in Liverpool to rehabilitate a large post war housing development.

Abbey Housing Association is continuing its activities on sites involving houses, flats and maisonettes, the

programme is approaching 1000 units completed or under construction. The 104 units planned at Tower Hamlets are now complete and the largest

undertaking so far is in Bermondsey where 160 units are under way with 20% earmarked for assured tenancies. The Association has moved into refurbishing property involving flat conversions for sale in Reading. In general, the major obstacle to making more rapid progress is the acquisition of land in reasonable locations and on reasonable terms from local authorities.

Much has been said about the advent of Mortgage Interest Relief at Source -MIRAS. 100,000 people have asked for details on how a change to endowment would benefit them. The final decision rests entirely with the borrower. Our role is, as always, to offer advice and to ensure that the decision is made against the full range of relevant information.

MONEY SERVICE

Major reorganisation of the Society's computer technology is well under way to provide counter top terminals and automatic passbook updating, designed to speed up our payment and withdrawal

The most popular schemes proved to be the Seven Day Account and High Option Bondshares. Well over £1 BN was invested in each during the year with the Seven Day Account, which was a prime factor in our excellent market performance, now totalling more than

To these and other well known products in our range, we have added the Cheque-Save Account.

This does not mean the Society is

moving into the banking business and we are not interested in trying to capture any of the high volume cheque market.

Membership of the Junior Savers Club now tops 600,000 - 200,000 joined in 1982 alone. The Club is in many ways the first step on the home ownership ladder. In addition to providing newsletters and competitions, we are actually open in out-of-school hours unlike some competing institutions.

The Home Income Plan to provide elderly home owners with a fixed guaranteed income for life, aroused tremendous interest. So far business amounting to £8.4m has been completed.

1982 RESULTS

Total assets now exceed £12 BN - an addition of £2 BN during the year representing a growth rate of 20.5%.

Our operations generated a surplus of £59 m although the Reserve Ratio dipped marginally to 3.6% through controlled use in a highly competitive environment.

Liquidity Ratio at 20.7% stood at slightly above the end 1981 figure.

A remarkable 1.8 million new investment accounts were opened, bringing the total number of membership accounts to 81/2 million.

The Society lent more money on house purchase and improvement and to more people than at any other time in its history. Lending at £2.6 BN was an increase for the second year running of 28% over the previous year. Of the 150,000 purchasers assisted, 85,000 were first time buyers and over 16,000 were existing council. tenants who purchased their house

outright. A measure of our continuing commitment to housing improvement is that we made £212m available to more than 78,000 borrowers - 50% more than 1981's record figure.

The opening of 29 branches brought the total number to 664, by far the largest network of any Society.

We now have 2,463 agencies, the most active and successful of these take on many of the functions of a branch. The direct sales force has been expanded to 160 people making a growing contribution to the Society's operations.

On each working day in 1982: 1. A new investment account was opened every 4 seconds. 2. A new mortgage loan was provided

3. The Society helped to provide a

loan to a first time buyer every 11/2 For the year as a whole, this means

an average of 20 mortgages and 243 investment accounts for each of the Society's 7409 full time staff.



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Hargreaves and Others v The cxercise of the right of appeal given In the present case, if the Church Commissioners by section 3(2) of the Pastoral appellants were right, it was an Before Lord Keith of Kinkel. Lord Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord

Scarman and Lord Brightman [Judgment delivered April 12] Where a pastoral scheme was ade for the union of two Church of England benefices the right to appeal against the scheme under section 8(2) of the Pastoral Measure 1968 was a genuine right of appeal on the merits and a change of circumstances or the emergence of appropriate case constitute grounds for allowing an appeal and directing the Church Commissioners to

reconsider the scheme; but where there was room for two reasonable opinions as to a particular course, that of the church authorities would almost always be conclusive against the other unless an appellant could show that the authorities made an

The Judicial Committee of the rivy Council dismissed an appeal by Captain Geoffrey Hargreaves, and should not be allowed to mask Mr Ted Puntis, Mr David Hornsby and Mr Roy Parmers acting on was an appeal on the merits. near Southampton against that part of a pastoral scheme made by the Church Commissioners on June 2. 1981 uniting the parishes of Copythorne and Minstead in the Diocese of Winchester which

notwithstanding some superficial the Church Commissioners to consider the scheme afresh as far as appellant was entitled to have his appeal heard on its months. appeal heard on its merits. His Lordship emphasized that if

objections to a scheme were genuinely brought forward and supported by evidence their Lord-ships' Board had to take them into account. It would not lose sight of the fact that a scheme was supported by responsible bodies within the Church of England but it was not enough for the Church Com-missioners to rest upon general missioners to rest upon general assertions in the face of specific concrete and relevant objecti

show that the authorities made an error of judgment or that circumstances had altered so significantly since the making of the scheme that the church authorities ought to the church authorities ought to commissioners and would require the commissioners and would require cogent reasons for doing so, the word "cogent" could be misleading and should not be allowed to mask was an appeal on the merits.
The dictum in Parochial Church

The dictim in Parochial Church Council of the Parish of Holy Trinity. Birkenhead v Church Commissioners (unreported, May 6, 1974) to the effect that the Board would not refuse to confirm a scheme "unless for irregularity of present the first scheme". Diocese of Winchester which procedure, for excess of jurisdiction provided that the parsonage house or on cogent evidence of erroneous of Minstead should be the place of judgment" was helpful as far as it

parsonage house of Copythorne
should be disposed of.
The appellants in person: Mr in a proper case constitute grounds
Spencer Marrice for the Church for allowing an appeal even where

Only the applicant's conduct is relevant

Before Lord Fraser of Tullybelton,
Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord Scarman Lord Reightman and Lord
The original vendor had argued that specific performance being an equitable remedy was only available. Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord Scar-man, Lord Brightman and Lord

[Judgment delivered April 12] Where both parties had been ficient in good faith in connexion with the formation of a contract whether or not to grant specific performance of the contract of sale.

performance of the contract had to consider whether there had been any relevant want of good faith, honesty or righteous dealing on the part of the party seeking specific performance and was not required to balance the misconduct of one marry against the misconduct of the was wanting in soud faith and was party against the misconduct of the

The Judicial Committee of the basis of the suit. Privy Council dismissed an appeal by Sang Lee Investment Co Ltd (the viginal vendor) from a judgment of the Court of Appeal of Hongkong dismissing the original vendor's appeal from a judgment of the High Court who ordered specific performance of two contracts for the sale of land at Quarry Bay, Hongiong to Ball Land Investment Co Ltd (the original purchaser) and Wing Kwai Investment Co Ltd (the sub-purchaser) in the sub-pur-chaser's action against the original purchaser in which the original wendor was joined as third party.

Mr Colin Ross-Munro, QC and
Mr Robert Tang and Mr Anthony
Neoh (both of the Hongkong Bar)
Nor the original vendor, Mr P. J.
Millett, QC and Mr Benjamin Levy
for the sub-purchaser; Mr Leonard

On the facts, the claim by the original purchaser and the milletting and the city include any relevant misconduct on the part of the person resisting equitable relief, it was right to refuse to grant it. No balancing exercise fell to be performed.

On the facts, the claim by the original purchaser and the gubone.

to one who sought the aid of the court if he came with clean hands and that since the sub-purchaser's hands were not clean, or, on a true view of the facts, less clean than court should refuse to grant specific

was wanting in good faith and was "in the transaction" which was the

In a case where there were allege improprieties on both sides it was not a proper approach for the court exercising its discretion to grant specific performance to compare the misconduct on one side with the

The court should first decide whether there had been any relevant want of faith, honesty or righteous dealing on the part of the person seeking relief and should then decide whether as a matter of discretion and in all the circumstances, which might include any

for the sno-purchased, and Bromley QC, Mr Denis Chang, QC original purchaser and the chaser for a decree of specific Edward Perks for the original performance was unanswerable. The appeal should be dismissed. LORD BRIGHTMAN said that Solicitors: Lovell, White & King

Landlord wrong to assert lien over goods

Finlayson v Taylor

Before Mr Justice Croom-Johnson

Before Mr Justice Croom-Johnson
[Judgment delivered March 30]

Where a landlord, who was a bailee of goods for his licensee, denied him access to the licensee at the goods were stored, and wrongfully and without justification asserted a lien over the goods in respect of arrears of rent, his detention of the goods became adverse to the licensee and he was liable in detinue for that detention.

Mr Justice Croom-Johnson so held in a reserved judgment in the Queen's Beach Division in giving judgment for the plaintiff for £8,711 in his claim for damages for detinue and conversion of goods.

Mr Peter Brunner for the defendant.

MR JUSTICE CROOM-JOHNSON said that the plaintiff had entered into a licence agreement with the defendant in respect of premises owned by the defendant.

The plaintiff used the premises for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for storing his aerosol equipment. Access to the premises was for detinue and conversion of goods.

The plaintiff was entitled to damages for detinue and conversion of goods.

The plaintiff and padlocked the door of the premises. His solic

Prisoner made homeless by wife's conduct

Regina v Swansea City Council,
Ex parte Thomas

A man who normally lived in a family unit with a woman and their two children could become intentionally homeless where that accommodation had been lost as a result of the woman's conduct while the man was in prison if there was evidence reasonably to suggest that he had acquiesced in the conduct Complained of.

Accordingly, a housing authority might reasonably refuse that man's application under the Housing application under the Housing application under the Housing application on April 12, refusing an application for judicial review of the surthority's decasion.

MR JUSTICE WOOLF said that Parliament could not have intended that an amthority should be required to rehouse a family unit against whom they had previously obtained an order for possession on the ground of missance and annoyance to neighbours committed by one intended required a certificate under the Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) Regulations (SI 1971 No 352), the Divisional Ourt (Lost Justice Robert Goff and Mr Justice McNeill) said on March 30 when allowing a prosecutor's appeal by way of case stated. The defendant's vehicle was loaded with seven abandoned vehicles which were to be sold as scrap prosecutor's appeal by way of case stated. The defendant's vehicle was beautiful or the proper construction of the regulations, the exemption granted by Schedule 2 applied to a breakdown vehicle winch was used for the conveyance of one disabled vehicle only.

A disabled vehicle was one which had broken down and a scrap vehicle was not a disabled vehicle was one which had broken down and a scrap vehicle was not a disabled vehicle was one with the province of the conveyance of one disabled vehicles are to be sold as scrap required to have a

the defendant in local public houses in order to gain access to the

Test certificate required for carrying scrap

Regina v Swansea City Council,
Ex parte Thomas

A man who normally lived in a family unit with a woman and their recovery vehicle and was therefore required to have a goods vehicle test

for financial control Barber v Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group that a comparison of cases of all discrimination between men and different sex under section 1(1) Paleste v Tota & I via Food and

appeal process and was not to be gathering of evidence and the Inner London Education Anthcompared to an application for growth of hostile opinion in the judicial review under Order 53 of parish since the publication of the Environment.

The ILEA contended that the Before Mr Justice Woolf

> The appellants' factual case was bustling place with a growing population of 2,700. Community activities with clubs for young and old abounded. There was a vigorous Scout movement and two good Church of England schools. The church was well supported and the vicarage had been built some 13 years ago with the aid of voluntary

Minstead on the other hand was smaller. Its population was 710 and static (or diminishing) and generally older than that of Copythorne. The parsonage house was between two and a half to three miles from the developed area of Copythorne. The appellants regarded it as illogical that the vicar should reside elsewhere than at Copythorne.

In rejecting the appellants' case the church authorities had weighed the respective merits of the two places of residence and had chosen Minstead as that from which the incumbent would be able to carry out his ministry effectively and contentedly. The Bishop of Win-chester was firmly of opinion that a future incumbent would be happier

If there was room for two reasonable opinions, the fact that the church authorities had adopted one would almost always be decisive against the other. In the present case on the facts two views were possible. The bishop could not be criticized for bearing in mind the welfare of his clergy as well as that of the inhabitants of his diocese. Although the appellants had shown that there was a reasonable case for selecting the residence at

They had not been able to show that the church authorities had made an error of judgment in reaching their decision to select Minstead or that circumstances had changed so significantly since Minstead was chosen that the commissioners and the bishop ought to reconsider that part of the scheme. The appeal should be Solicitors: Radcliffes & Co.

[Judgment delivered March 30] The Inner London Education uthority (ILEA) which, by virtue section 30 of the London ment Act 1963, was the Greater London Council acting by means of a special committee in pursuance of its education functions (the council), but differently constituted from the Greater London Council pursuing its noneducation functions (GLC), was not accountable separately from the GLC to the Secretary of State for the Environment in respect of its own direct labour organization for the direct labour organization for the purposes of Part III of the Local Government, Planning and Land

Mr Justice Woolf so held, in the Queen's Bench Division, dismissing the ILEA's originating summons against the Department of the Environment, seeking the court's determination on questions relating to the correct status of the ILEA for the purposes of Part III of the 1980 Act which provided for control to be exercised over the expenditure of local authorities using direct labour organizations (DLOs) for the irpose of carrying out their

Mr J. R. Macdonaid, QC and Mr Colin Braham for the ILEA; Mr Siznon D. Brown for the Depart-ment of the Environment.

MR JUSTICE WOOLF, reading MR JUSTICE WOULF, reading a reserved judgment, said that since 1965, the ILEA had operated its own DLO to carry out maintenance work to educational buildings in its

Part III of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 contained a code of sections exercised over the expenditure by local authorities using DLOs for the purpose of carrying out their functions.

Section 10(1) required every local authority undertaking construction or maintenance work under works of contract or by way of functional work to keep, in respect of each description of work specified in subsection (2) a revenue account and such other accounts as the of state might direct. Section 12, in conjunction with Treasury Solicitor.

The ILEA contended that accounting in respect of its DLO pursuant to the provisions of the 1980 Act should be separate and apart from the accounting in respect of other DLOs which were engaged in activities on behalf of the GLC. The Department of the Environ-

ment, however, was convinced that the ILEA could not run a DLO without involving the GLC because it enjoyed no separate legal personality apart from the GLC. Section 30 of the London Government Act 1963 which created ILEA, constituted ILEA as a statutory special committee and provided that in the inner London education area the local education authority was the GLC acting by means of ILEA. The membership of

the ILEA differed from the membership of the GLC. The ILEA was a committee of the GLC but did not exercise its jurisdiction as a delegate committee of the GLC nor was it a statutorily created corporation. Furthermore, section 30 of the 1963 Act made it

Part III of the 1980 Act referred local authority. Section AJ of the AAA defined "local authority" as a county council, the Greater London Council, a district council, a London borough council or the Common Council of the City of London and the Council of the Isles of London and the Council of the Isles

The absence of any reference to ILEA was striking since other provisions of the Act expressly provided that the ILEA was a local authority for the purpose of other parts of the Act.

The fact that in the same Act of Parliament express reference was made to ILEA made it clear that where special treatment was to be accorded to the GLC because of the ILEA that was done expressly.

Accordingly, while it might be sensible for the duty to be placed on the ILEA to comply with Part III of the 1980 Act, his Lordship was not able to construe the Act in a manner which would place that duty upon the ILEA. It might be a case where Solicitors: Mr R. A. Lar

Commissioners' opinion upheld ILEA is part of GLC Pensions fall within exclusion

Roberts v Tate & Lyle Food and must be such that "the relevant circumstances in the one case are Distribution Ltd. Before Mr Justice Browne-Wilkin-the son, Miss J. Colletson and Mr R. differ

employer's neusion scheme and

The Employment Appeal Tri-bunal dismissed appeals by Mr Douglas Barber and Miss Joan Roberts, from decisions of two industrial tribunals in May 1982

and November 1981, dismissing their claims of unlawful discrimi-

nation on the ground of sex, against their employers, the Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group and Tate & Lyle Ltd.

for Miss Roberts; Mr Christopher Clarke for Tate & Lyle.

MR JUSTICE BROWNE-WILKINSON said that the ques-

with a rose were - had the employer discriminated against the employee within the meaning of section 1(1)(a) of the Act in failing to offer him or her early retirement;

if so, was the discrimination excluded from the Act by section 6(4) and if it was, could the

ropean law?

licants establish a claim under

In the Tate & Lyle case the pension scheme provided for men to retire at 65 and women at 60.

If either a man or woman retired before the normal retiring age but

over 50 they were entitled to an immediate pension. The refinery at which Miss Roberts was employed closed and she was made redundant,

Under revised arrangements all

employers over 55 could obtain an

immediate pension. In the case of a man he was being paid 10 years

Miss Roberts claimed that she was entitled to an immediate

pension because she was within 10

before his normal retirement as

the same, or not materially different in the other." Mr Pannick for Miss Roberts submitted that the relevant circumstances included the numbers of Section 6(4) of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975, which excluded years which she and the male employee with whom she compared provisions "in relation to death or retirement" from the Act had a wide application covering anything which was part and parcel of the employers system of catering for retirement, and including proretirement age for pension purposes ("age off pension"). He said that their actual age was irrelevant. Mr Clarke submitted the opposite. visions in severence terms made on redundancy under which some employees were offered early

cessionary travel by railways for old age pensioners) the age off pension would be relevant. The problem of stating any test identifying the cases stance was insoluble.

For present purposes the appeal tribunal would assume in Miss.

her claim was excluded by section 6(4). Mr Pannick submitted that Miss Roberts was not retiring but Mr Christopher Carr, QC, for Mr Barber, Mr Henry Brooke, QC and Mr T Wormington for Guardian Royal Exchange, Mr David Pannick There were three relevant de-There were three relevant decisions considered together by the Court of Appeal: Roberts v Cleveland Area Health Authority; Garland v British Rail Engineering Ltd and MacGregor Wallcoverings Ltd v Turion ([1979] ICR 558). The Court of Appeal held that the phrase "provision in relation to death or retirement" in section 6(4) was wide and meant a provision about death or retirement.

or retrement.

The Gardard case alone went to the House of Lords and following a reference to the European Court of Justice the Court of Appeal decision was reversed. But there was nothing in the speeches in the House of Lords disapproving the general approach by the Court of Appeal to the question of the construction of section 6(4).

On any view the decision of the appeal tribunal in Garland ([1978] ICR 495) was approved by the House of Lords and the test propounded by Mr Justice Phillips, hat what had to be consid whether or not what was being done was part and parcel of the employers' system of catering for reiterment, would be applied in the present case.

The purpose of section 6(4) was Sheffield, Jaques & Lewis; Mrs S. T. apparent. Parliament in enacting the Gill, Claygate, Mr J. D. Sabel.

widespread and inherently discriminatory practice deeply embedded in the social organization of the exclude claims arising out of the different retirement complaint based on the existence of contractual terms dealing with retirement had to be excluded since such terms would necessarily be

retirement ages. provision in relation to" retirement applied to the terms of access ection 6(4) had to be construed

widely.

Although the provisions in the were part and parcel of the employer's system of catering for retirement. Accordingly Miss Robert's claim fell within the exclusion contained in section 6(4).

If the European law on the subject as clear the appeal tribunal ought was clear the appeal tribu to seek to construe the 1975 Act so and for the purposes of constru

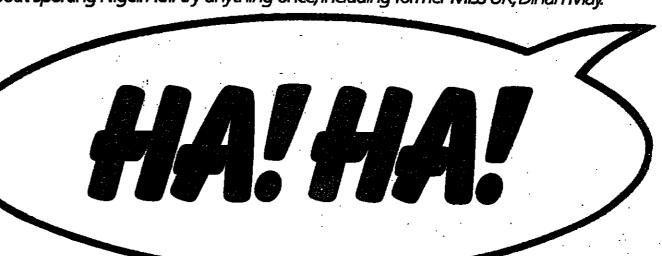
Similar arguments had been pu forward in Mr Barber's case. Mr Barber claimed that he was being unlawfully discriminated against under the employer's pension scheme when he was not offered an redundant.

6(4) had been made and the same to exclude Mr Barber's claim. The appeals would be dismis and leave to appeal granted. Solicitors: Irwin Mitchell & Co.

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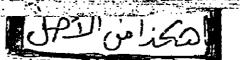


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Tender is the night

MODERN TIMES

A sideways look at the British way of life

Do you remember when city streets were rich in night-time braziers? Every hole in the road had its attendant and his coke blaze glowing through the perforations of a punched-through oil drum. The guard with a string round his overcoat lived in a hut and drank tea from a billycan and seemed to be half way between a tramp and a policeman, custodian of a few tools and an inkyblack gap in the pavement.

The world is now too expensive a

place to allow such after-hours luxuries and such unlikely respectabilities: an old boy of that sort would now be snug in his old people's home, or sleeping rough and discarded under a railway arch. Those were still, just, the days when policemen called you sir whatever you looked like.

I have often enough been a night-tourist, and learned to appreciate the peculiar glamour of being out of kilter with the world, and having it to oneself. Bouncing home across London on the oldest bike in the world after rock in roll in Hammersmith (woefully drunk and wobbly) at two in the morning, for instance.

Dut the nights are best when you've something to do. Best of all most powerfully romantic - is to be at sea. One harbourmaster-cumpilot once let me stay up with him while he buffetted towards an unlit rendezvous with a Polish freighter off the North-east coast. Suddenly a wave took us high and close against the great wall of its side, and we looked through a porthole into a little yellow-warm pool of tussled bunks and open magazines, and then plunged back down into the gloom and spray. The ladder was out on the wrong side, but my man took his saity, balletic leap and was crawling up the great steady ship as we rocketed off to lead the hurtling way.

As a chaffeur I used to drive a distinguished man through the night: London to Yorkshire or Cornwall, or Heathrow to Suffolk slipping down long strips of roads, counting the miles in tens and twenties with a pop station burbling inconsequentialities at just the volume to let the great man sleep his sleep. He might be important, but I was conscious: a bleary-eyed squire to his knight. They were nights spent battling against sleep; often it won for a second or two, a worrying business at 70 or 80mph.

Before that: security cars. One chilly night in 1966 my Alsatian dog and I guarded the drinks cabinet at Wembley, the night before England did something to Germany in football. Throughout, my borrowed dog feigned sleep on the back seat.

It was a marvellous job. There was a crazed night manager, with a house in Penge, or perhaps it was Croydon: we would meet for breakfast, all of us mobiles, at his house, at half-four or five in the morning. Distance no object in the empty, rain-slushed streets. We ate his immense fry-ups, gulped down tea, and dispersed to our beds before the traffic got going as the dawn kippered the sentinel sky over the South Circular. Driving back to town, the window open to blast morning feeling! away at sleepiness, sharp silver air punched away at one's lungs, raw with a nightful of cigarette smoke.

Lt was a proper night job. We didn't stay up late to go to work as mere jazz musicians do, nor were we remotely like the moonlighting night-clubbers having a collation at the all-night tea bar outside Caxton Hall, drunk and shrill against the gloom. Rather, we were shades who got up in the late afternoon and never knew what mood we were in. Our bodies never did quite forgive the muddle, and teatime never did become a wholly satisfactory breakfast time. We felt the world slipping away as we realized newspapers were not about our disrupted lives, and girlfriends gave up being out of step

with our shattered biorhythms and found other lovers.

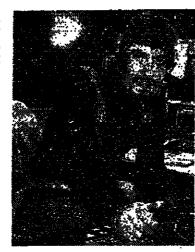
The night held us in its maw. Now it is mostly the cries of the newborn or the demands of work that jerk me into near consciousness. And the night watches of an inner city shabby suburb can be pretty hectic.

Noisy drunks, on the cusp between drinking bouts, conduct curiously dignified rows outside my window. Across the gardens, the strange, dimly-mystic West Indian and his fat white girlfriend are awake behind their improvised table-cloth curtain which reveals more than it hides. Their window is a sordid, inviting, ikon. Their light is on, as it is for a dogwatch hour or so every night. I'm supposed to be stealing a midnight march on a deadline, but instead I stare down at the seamy vignette.

The Latvian is at his window again: a grey figure, almost transparent, with a brush of white hair. The light from the bare bulb in his room scratches against the parcel-brown wallpaper, Sometimes his gaping, whispy jaws work busily at some divine song. Is the nice old ghoul mourning high-stepping, gaudy, nights in the Riga of long ago? Certainly his world is an interior one. It has no comfort, and no

It is becoming light now, and the children are shuffling around, smelling of their tumbled beds. The Latvian's white pigeon is strutting the sill, staring out at its open air fellows and perhaps wondering if this will be the new day when it will rejoin them. Over on Radio 2, beamed to the insomndent and inconsolable, Ray Moore will soon be winding up his sweetly-careful dawn show. Wogan and bourgeois good sense will soon be ascendant.

Richard North



INSOMNIAC'S FRIEND Patrick Lunt

and presenter of Radio 2's You and the Night and the Music

I don't know where day and night is bridged: I treat it as a morning programme, though for the first hour or so it feels very late night. In spite of audience research and hundreds of letters you never know exactly who you are talking to; there's such a mixture – long distance lorry drivers, regulars who write in every week, security guards, one or two in hospital, the milkman and his wife, some who are just lonely and treat me as a pen friend. Some have no telephone, no relatives, no one. I think the distance and relative impersonality allows them to tell you things they wouldn't tell a neigh-bour. You get the odd nasty. Mostly you can read between the lines, say People are nicer then, because the world in general, even if it's going about its business, is less frenetic... The enormous benefit, personally, is that I have more daytime to spend with our son. (He married to newscaster Jan ning). And the one thing you

NIGHT NURSE

Debbie Button

Night sister at the Royal Free Hospital

There are three main reasons why I prefer working nights - apart from the fact that I enjoy

nursing. One is that I get four clear nights off, the second is the extra money and the third is that I have

more time for my patients. If they can't sleep I can have a chat, make

them a cup of tea. They tell you their

problems at night, especially on a women's gynae ward."
"The disadvantages are that night

work's very anti-social. You need a

very understanding partner, not so bad if you're single. Holiday times

are the biggest strain. And if you have a lot of agency nurses there isn't the continuity of care, although fortunately this no longer applies

"I have thirty beds to look after

help me. You don't have time to get

nervous on a big ward. You're in charge and you have to cope, though

there's a good security guard system if you need it. I do take my work

home sometimes, worry about patients, if I've done it right. It drives my boyfriend mad but I can't help it.

Tomorrow: Friday Page

The woman behind

Ulster's Ian Paisley



NIGHT DEALER Berthold Oliner

Manager of the card room at a London club and an ex-international bridge player

Gambling is a service industry, so sure, the night people who work in it are nice, they have to be to last. If you lose at cards, even if it's for the moderate sums that change hands in Kalooki, you suffer, bleed

tomorrow is another day, have a cap of tea, don't worry."

"Fifty per cent of our players are women, not young, many widows. A lot are lonely. They come to play cards in pleasant surroundings and to be sociable... I go to all the barmitzvahs and, unfortunately to a number of funerals as well. We have a good relationship with the casino downstairs but that's a different game. Those gamblers are compul-sive. The croupiers are in the

business because they think it's glamorous and well paid. They're not allowed to talk to the customers. In the card room we fraternise constantly. Sunday night is the busiest of all. I have no car but most of the players live near me, offer me a lift home. Night life plays havoc with your private life. What wife wants a husband at four in the morning? It's ruined four marriages for me, but my present girlfriend is a university lecturer who also works week-



ALL-NIGHT CABBIE

Night driver for

Business is down. People just don't go out now - the West End's like Blackpool night out - all the cab lights on. Margaret Thatcher and Mac the Hammer did that er and Mac the Franker that that -closed down a good half dozen gambling clubs. And video's the biggest killer of all. Bad weather. helps! I don't like day work, its a different kind of passenger - the sort who's always late and blames the traffic jam on you. Night people have slowed down, they're out to enjoy themselves. Obviously you get the odd bad one - bilk is the word - the guy who doesn't want to pay. Or the one who is propping up the lamp post. Women drunks are the worst if she turns on the heater it's good night, God bless; and you can't touch her in case she shouts rape. "The old fashion villains were good as gold. Today's young ones are deceptive You've got to be on the radio, in case of trouble or if the wife wants to contact you. Lots of drivers' marriages break up because they never get to see the wife or kids. If you work proper nights

NIGHT PORTER

you've got a better chance. It

suits me and my family.

Head night porter of

/ I'm like a priest, sworm to secrecy. That's what a good night porter should be - se who helps his guests to unwind, provides them with whatever services they require, with the personal touch ... someone who listens when they want to tell you things but never tells. A lot are in it for mercenary reasons - a bad thing in a night when Walt Disney stayed here, Bing Crosby, Bob Hope. . . . Most of our Prime Ministers know us, heads of state, Royalty, many famous people. This is a traditional hotel, British to the backbone, very high standards. ... I'd say my memory for faces is brilliant: like a Chinaman, I never forget one. I never sleep on duty nore when I'm off than I used. No. I don't mix with the other concierges, though most are friends of mine. In my spare time I like to study form - I applied for Julian Wilson's job you know but his educational background was better! And I haven't missed Wimbledon since 1960! I wouldn't be in the business if I had family ties. Like the priest... celibacy is better.



Judy Froshaug





As the bishop said

Many of you reading this newspaper will be foreign travellers coming to Britain for the start of the holiday season.

Welcome! And sorry about the

the great historic institutions of Britain. The Tower of London. Carnaby Street. Sir Roy Strong. But there are other things for which Britain is famous which are not quite so tangible, such as our fighting spirit, our silence in public transport and our sense of humour, and you will no doube want to taste these as well. Today I want to initiate you into the Britsh sense of

Some people say it takes a lifetime to appreciate the British sense of humour. This is nonsense! Ten minutes of study and practice is all that it needs. British humour has now been analysed in our linguistic laboratories and we now know that the formula is so simple that it can be taught in a single newspaper column.

The way it works is this. A British joke comes in two parts. The first part is an ordinary sentence, such as "How would you like a bunch of fives in your face?" (an example of the British fighting spirit, by the way) or "I couldn't half do with a pint of otter". (An example of British wit, by the way; the speaker means that he doesn't want a half of bitter, he wants a

Now, that by itself is not

MOREOVER... Miles Kington

British phrases which have very well there. No, but I saw never, so far as I know, been the film would not work. It's all written down, but which consti-tute fully half of any British conversation. The most famous one is, "As the bishop said to the actress." Others, in no particular order, are:

"I bet you say that to all the "That's the story of my life."
"I thought you'd never ask. "Not so loud, or they'll all

want one.' "And I'm the Queen of "It's what your right arm's

"No, but I saw the film." All you have to do when an Englishman speaks to you, is answer him with it. Let's try, shall we?

"How would you like a bunch of fives in your face?" "As the bishop said to the

Not quite right, is it? That's because the first sentence provides no chance of a doublecatendre. It would have been different if he'd said, "I can't go on much longer," or "These clothes make it very difficult for me". If the first sentence contains the word "it", you can almost always make a joke with "As the bishop said to the actress." But you will learn with practice. Now, let's try again. "How would you like a bunch of fives in your face?"

"I thought you would never Now, that by itself is not a joke. But when you add a second sentence to it, it becomes a joke. This second doesn't it? Also, I bet you say

sentence comes from a stock of that to all the girls would do British phrases which have very well there. No, but I saw a question of getting a feel for it. I am sure you will have much

> Note, by the way, that when a man says "I couldn't half do with a pint of bitter," this is one those fare remarks that is too you want to sample the first, serious to be rurned into a joke. Just say: "Come outside and say

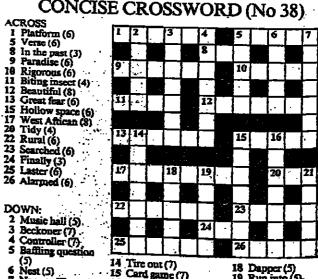
fun finding out.

make British jokes, I think the best thing to do is send a request to the editor of Punch, a magazine which has been collecting them for 140 years. When you start practising, remember that it may seem

difficult at first, but one gets the hang of it after a while. As the bishop said to the

actress.
(I will deal with our fighting spirit and our silence on public You must always say to him: that again". For the second, "Let my buy it for you". "Let my buy it for you". when the man asks for your if you would like a full list of fare, do not say anything back these sentences with which to to him.)

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In Search of Love

By Ruth Prawer

Flying to Nowhere

(The Salamander Press, £4.95)

Ruth Prawer Jhabvala is of the

Jane Austen school of novelists;

she takes her little bit of ivory and works deliberately within its limits, creating a world

where nothing matters beyond its confines. Just as the Napo-leonic Wars barely impinge upon Mansfield Park, so the last

fifty years, from the 1930s to the present day, are seen in "In Search of Love and Beauty"

merely as milestones in the

relationships of a tiny circle of characters. New York is the

ideal setting – again, a little bit of New York, but instantly recognizable. Where else could one find this capacity for total

self-absorption, this particular

conglomeration of "sex, drugs, nerves and religion"? Mrs Jhabvala turns her ironic gaze

on a small group of German

refugees, who have comfortably

transferred their wealth and

adapted their social position to

lofty New York apartments and

'The Old Vienna" coffee house.

Into their lives comes Leo Kellerman, "a yet undefined genius", who has met Freud and

Reich and who leads them all

for the next forty years in a

tortuous country dance of sex and exploitation. He finally

the Academy of Potential

Addamsish mansion in the Hudson Valley. And here, ever

drawn by his personal magnet-

ism – undeniable, however

ogus - come Louise Sonnenb-

Their outstanding character-

devoted wife and mother, throws herself so entirely into

her affair with Leo, despite

even when over seventy, when

it might have been expected

that her only concern with her

heart would be a clinical one",

only real interest in her

by his adopted sister Natasha.

briefly drawn into the charmed, incestuous circle, as one mem

Louise's oldest friend. Outrage-

ously selfish, scarlet-wigged and

pretensions into perspective.

lation of detail can deaden as well as engage the imagination.

Flying to Nowhere, the poet

John Fuller's first essay into

wonder how he will follow it up.

Isabel Raphael

Peripheral characters are

lick and her family.

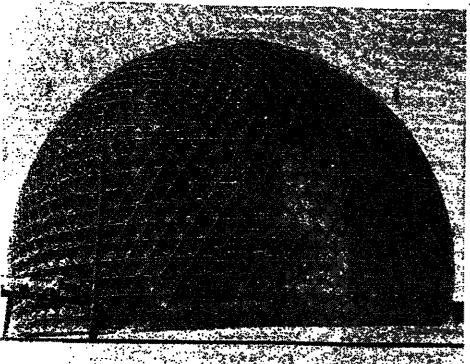
(John Murray, £8.50)

By John Fuller

and Beauty

Jhabvala

High-tech Pied Piper





Buckminster Fuller's geodesic dome at Expo '67 in Montreal (left) and "Bucky" himself (right).

Bryan Appleyard assesses a method of saving the world

Critical Path By R. Buckminster Fuller

Hutchinson, £12.95)

Every individual generates an ultra-high frequency electro magnetic field. The polarity of this field alternates between positive and negative spending on the state of mind of the individual. Highly sensitive satellites will be used to read the cominant polarity of the entire population of the world. A total referendum or opinion poll can thus be conducted instan-

Aluminium spheres one mile in Cometer will be constructed. When heated by the sun the air inside will expand to the point where enclosed air plus strucsurrounding atmosphere. The pseudo-religious fanaticism, we spilere will float skyward have largely resigned ourselyes. occanng aloft several thousand recopie whose relative weight on inis scale would be negligible.

Fuller. Seldom can there have now expect technology to save been a thinker of such immense us but Bucky does and he is still vanity, charm and unnerving up there, a high-tech Pied Piper persuasiveness. Never can such luring the young into optimism sustained, hectoring egotism and belief in limitless wealth

and it makes it clearer than ever that his mind is indeed possessed of a sustaining sanity which redeems his dreadful prose and cajoles us to suspend our disbelief and our boredom.

These days it is an odd sensation to be subjected to an utterly confidently expressed vision of earthly regeneration. have largely resigned ourselves to a fragmented, partial understanding of the world. Science has advanced too rapidly for us Pigs. you might add, will fly. to retain any overall grasp and But nothing cools scepticism the artistic crisis of modernism

David Holloway, Daily Telegraph

matters is why and how he inventiveness. All inventions invents them and the quality of his mind. Critical Path may well be his last work (he is 88) inventiveness. All inventions along the critical path must be so efficient and workable that their rapid adoption by the entire world must be inevitable.

scientifically verified by Bucky's tently it became extraordinarily July 12, 1979 version of Ever Rethinking the Lord's Prayer which begins: "To be satisfactory to science all definitions believes the imagination and

visionaries who actually want to books they always are; in the do something is that, from real world, almost never.

like 500 pages of Buckminster is simply evaded. Few people Nuremberg to Brasilia, their visions have gone wrong. World views are all very well but historically they have either left people dead or as good as in some catastrophic urban development. Bucky's vision is entertaining, exhilarating and, at times, moving but Bucky

> And there is one disturbing problem along the critical path Behind all this are Bucky's or much unnecessary baggage metaphysics, hinging on the until we reach the Promised belief that our destiny is to be the infinitely efficient, infinitely materially well-endowed probing 1952. Bucky remarks: "We lem-solvers of our part of the designed this factory to be universe. There is a God, completely automated Inadvermust be stated in terms of technology can be one as long as Yet the reason we distrust sufficient rigour. In Bucky's

sustained, hectoring egotism and better in limitless wealth have been made so attractive.

The point is, of course, that to be a confirmed fan of "Bucky" you do not have to be convinced that any of his be attained. Essentially this is inventions will work. What inventions and better in limitless wealth some catastrophic urban development. Bucky's vision is entertaining, exhilarating and at times, moving but Bucky inventions will work. What is own variety of radical inventions will work the practical man, at times, moving but Bucky inventions will work. What is own variety of radical inventions. through and lesser souls would

> the scenery is lousy. Aesthetics are not part of the world view. Perhaps beauty is simply the latter is pursued with

Oscar winner

The Last Testament of Oscar Wilde By Peter Ackroyd (Hamish Hamilton, £7.95)

mind of any other man to lies ... absurd and mean and reproduce, his secret thoughts foolish", he should publish it. reproduce his secret thoughts and feelings - unless that other is a product of his own imagination? We may read involuntarily think: So of course Oscar Wilde's personal letters, he did, and here it is. Not only see his plays, study biographies built on these and on lively descriptions by friends, relatives and enemies, yet conceivably not reach the man himself. Wilde's sharp wit in epigram or paradox, but he captures the So in this absolutely stronging to the man himself.

bare recorded facts of a brief yet seemingly eternal period when, after visiting Italy and elsewhere as Sebastian Melmoth, he subsisted in Paris on borrowed funds. Slowly dying from his ear injury contracted in prison and tormented by nightmares, he consorted with youths and pimps; on the boulevards pointed out with scorn, in restaurants all too often re-

reality (all these tales concern princes): Oscar; dying, seeks in Such jewelled parables to drown the bleak present. There are fantasies like his mother's telling him, when "like a would have made a mark on life and death, good and evil, and list and list telling him, when "like a would have made a mark on life and death, good and evil, and list telling him, when "like a would have made a mark on life and death, good and evil, and list telling him, when "like a would have made a mark on life and death, good and evil, and list telling him, when "like a would have made a mark on life and death, good and evil, and list telling him, when "like a would have made a mark on life and death, good and evil, and list telling him when "like a would have made a mark on life and death, good and evil, and list telling him when a life and death, good and evil, and list telling him when a life and death, good and evil, and life and life and death, good and evil, and life would have made a mark on the and death, good and evil, wounded animal" he sought society and literature. Perhaps it innoceace and corruption. An refuge between trials, that his is as close to Wilde as we may auspicious start for Fuller the novelist, a tour de force. I

despises vet yearns for recog-nition. When he shows the journal to Frank Harris and Bosie. Harris dismisses it. like Oscar, it

So, in this absolutely stunning raw vulnerability of the man book, how near does Peter Ackroyd get?

For The Last Testament of Oscar Wilde is no less than a recreation of Wilde during his last four months of life, clothing the bare recorded facts of a brief yet seemingly eternal period when,

Ackroyd tells us – he learnt the technique of disarming by caricature. In adulthood he formed the habit of lying to himself, pursuing Beauty and Acetherics in the suite of the state of the sta

Mary Cosh

Tangerine-Flake Tory **Fiction** A bit of ivory in a

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The Purple Decades By Tom Wolfe (Cape £8.95)

Purple, huh? Tom Wolfe, the dude in the White Suit, the man who rapped us with "Radical chic" and the "Me-decade", the man who reached Parts of the Typewriter that other Reporters never rumbled, is now all of 51 and going deep purple. As he might have put it in the early Esquire days: "!!!!!!" (I'll explain what I mean in a moment; this is just the "down-stage voice" of the New Journalism.) Lordy, lordy, how

Tom flies. Here, anyhow is a retrospective collection of his work. 21 essays and extracts, from 1964 to 1981, running through the whole mad circus of his American sub-cultures – from Surfers, Acid Freaks, West Side Divorcees, and Soho Bohos, to Divorcees, and Soho Bohos, to Astronauts, Moonies, Manhattan Socialites, Mid-Atlantic Men, Pop Painters, and "Down-Filled People" - "they wear down-filled coats in public. Out on the ski-slopes they look like hand-grenades. They drive two-door cars with instrument panels like an F-16's."

Altogether it covers the entire spectrum of his bizarre, won-derfully funny, High Journa-lism, and displays a distinct and steady colour change - tone-shift, red-shift - from the ecstatic "Kandy-Kolored Tangerine-Flake" of the mid-sixties, to the increasingly dispeptic Purple and Puce of his most recent attacks on Modern Art (The Painted Word, 1975) and Modern Architecture (From Bauhaus to Our House, 1981). Wolfe's grin, in fact, becomes something of a snarl: from Electric-Kool to Juvenal.

reaches his peak at the age of seventy, in the foundation of euphuistic, glossy-magazine prose with a gusto that it is quite breathtaking. One has to go back to the Regency - to Hazlitt, to Charles Lamb - for

Konservative with a passion for the Right Stuff and his

Blueberry Pie

It's all still immensely exhilarating to read. He dashes off his special form of baroque,

Development in a vast Charles anything equivalent in English English. (Indeed it is arguable that what Wolfe calls the "New Journalism" (1973) really began with Hazlitt's essay The Fight istic is their ability to take themselves utterly seriously. Louise, once the pattern of a (1822), recounting the pugilistic combat between Bill Neate and The Gasman a mile to the left of Hungerford, in much the same way that Wolfe describes the Stock Car Races at the rejection and humiliation, that North Wilkesboro Speedway in North Carolina.) It is comic. hyperbolic prose, that gets right inside the language, attitudes, she thinks of nothing else. Her daughter Marietta, who has made the requisite Indian "trip" of the 1960s, finds her accents and reflexes of subjects: and it is masterly in presenting an action, a drama. ... The voice tells you (on a flight from Phoenix preparing for its final homosexual son Mark, who is approach into Kennedy Airport, furniture, hair-styles, hand ges-New York, just after dawn): tures, brand name food and captain ... ummmm ... We've moving in and out of a room, no stoppin ya.

Richard Holmes reports on the thoughts of a Kandy-Kolored

pilgrimage to the true heartland of

Tom Wolfe

got a little of red light here on the control panel that's tryin' to tell us that the landin gears re not ... un ... lockin into position when we lower em . . . Now I don't believe that little ol' red light knows what it's talking about...." Freeze.

visual. Wolfe writes like an anthropologist (A "Martian" is greet it with a slightly quizzical the current term). Clothes, cycbrow: that Tom Wolfe

are marvellously observed and reproduced (often mimed). The satire always move from exterior surface to interior value, status, ambition.

"The new liberated working man would live as the Cultivated Ascetic. He would be modelled on the BA-degree Greenwich Village bohemian of the late 1940's – dark wool Hudson Bay shirts, tweed jackets, flannel trousers, briarwood pipes, good books, san-dals and simplicity - except he would live in a Worker Housing project." So much for the visionary architects at Yale and

But while the radical style has remained constant, the direction of the satire has become more conservative. This is the keynote of the collection. If there is one dominant theme in The Purple Decades. it is Wolfe's rediscovery of the All American Hero. (Europe and Britain slide steadily into the penumbra.) The Dandy is drawn to the Man of Action; the White Suit salutes - well - the Red Neck. We glimpse this carly on in the piece on Junior Johnson. Stock Car Racer (1965), who represents the old true breed of small-town, Appalachian coolness and good Appaiachtan coolness and good of boy physical bravado. "the rural Southern code of honor and courage". It recurs more openly in The Truest Sport: Jousting with Sam and Charlie (1975), about a pair of US Navy fighter pilots flying hair-raising combat missions from a carrier into North Vietnam.

It reaches its apogee in The Right Stuff (1979), Wolfe's best and most sustained work, (two long extracts), which follows the career of the Mercury Project astronauts and their initiation into the secret "fraternity" of absolute bravery: "Naturally this was never mentioned. Yet there it was. Manliness, manhood, manly courage...there was something ancient, primor-dial, irresistable about the challenge of this stuff, no matter what a sophisticated and rational age one might think he lived in.'

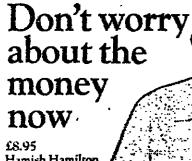
This moral pilgrimage through the Purple to the true heartland of Blueberry Pic. gives one much food for thought. Of course the Dandy and Daredevil have always been close allied (vide Brummell or Baudelaire); but Wolfe's growing passion for national virtue. for the "right stuff" as opposed to the "wrong stuff", is clearly indicative of something much larger, an historic mood powerfully at work there across the Atlantic. (Does President Rea-Moreover it is superbly gan have the "right stuff" one isual. Wolfe writes like an wonders.") British readers may would instantly raise into a flighty parabola of mocking 'Now, folks, uh . . . this is the drink, ways of walking sitting, prose. Well, hell, Tom. there's

Engaging and entertaining...he has been a privileged from now spectator at some of the most convulsive epenings this century.' Stewart Dalby, Financial Tim 'A ressering broth of a book, by a fine journalist.'

SANDY GALL

Excellent... It is wonderful to see the picture that Evelyn

Waugh painted in Scoop still seems true."



Hamish Hamilton

linging to the Wreckage

Exceptionally touching and tunny' — The Tinnes

Enchantingly witty ... should be held as the model for all autobiographies of our times' - Auberon Waugh

Fven if this book were not exhilaratingly well-written, and often hilarious, it would repay reading for its wisdom and its human depth' - Sunday Times

'He has produced anothermasterpiece' - Books and Bookmen

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And just published by Allen Line - In Character, a collection of the best of heiundar Times interviews.

Smith O'Brien: to which he ascribes his instinctive identifi-

cation as an outcast, who

tripping him on inaccurate details - and indeed there are plenty, no doubt intentional. Bosic abruptly says that though,

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pimps; on the boulevards pointed out with scorn, in restaurants all too often requested to leave.

The whole journal, or apologia pro vita sua, is shot through with sensuous lyricism. There is a tale of the young prince fatally screened from reality (all these tales concern princes): Oscar, dying, seeks in

Crime

Think Big, Think

ing, showing us thus what in But his stature, his nearness Fleetstreeter become large part life is, and he to Le Carré/Deighton, is illus-gratuite murderer. Illuminates the telling with trated by a similar venture into nicely pungent observations spy fiction saying something, a

("Morpurgo was beginning to good American first novel, feel like an ecumenical delegate, Convergence by Jack Fuller be meek and charitable").

Messy life and clever spies

that gives him ample and on the old suspense trick of tries.

radically different in dogma but (Hodder & Stoughton, £7.95). obliged, as his Christian duty, to This is an attack on the philosophy of the CIA, old hat He also contrives to portray but a good deal subtler than spy procedures, those ever-fasculating semi-facts, with impressive veracity, and his innocent, well drawn indeed, people are such as we can involved in the dirty world. one writing espionage novels recognize in some depth while Fuller has something to put that do all the work of the novel his descriptive writing is excel- across (that convergence, not proper and carry with them an lent ("The dangerous purple of opposition, is the way), but, extra edge. Here is William hot temper and high living") though he has chosen fiction as Garner, a lesser known figure and we are riding high. Not, the most effective means to do whose ninth book this is, with a alas, ultimately on the topmost it, his actual writing is oddly story (Lefty Whitehall spy-catplane. Garner is betrayed, I rebarbative and the whole grips cher and a Mole, in essence) think, by his reliance at times much less than it should. But it

unstrained opportunity to con-leaving the reader in the dark Rainbow in Hell, by David sider with us what should be and in his final pages descends Fletcher (Macmillan, £6.50). our attitude to the mess we call to purely literary mystification, Fletcher (with a genuine though of a sort that would be intensity that etches the mematmosphere of men manoeuvrenjoyable in a lesser book.

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But his stature, his nearness Fleetstreeter becomes an acte

H. R. F. Keating

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ber or another feels the urge for a new partner in the dance; but deep down they all know that the only worthwhile victims to grapple with are each other. The one person to break through is ALL•THE•EMPTY•PALACES The Merchant Patrons of Modern Art in Pre-Revolutionary Russia the splendidly anarchic Regi, trailing gigolos, she delivers home truths with relish and Beverly Whitney Kean puts the absurdity of Leo's Thank heaven for Regi. Without her this would be a dull book. Mrs Jhabvala has lost none of her old talent for a richly illustrated volume ... her book achieves unusual vitality Observer. adult fiction, is an extraordi-nary little book. "Little" is ALL:THE:EMPTY:PALACI The book complements the extant literature on 20th century Russian art and adds material available nowhere else in English Dore Ashton writer, critic for the New York Times.

Barrie & Jenkins

Carting the state of the state

THE TIMES **DIARY**

Israel's new man

I confidently expect that the Israeli cabinet will this weekend confirm the appointment of Yehuda Avner as the new ambassador to London. to succeed Shlomo Argov who was shot in June last year. Admittedly Avner's is by my count the eleventh name to come to the fore. My revelation that Elihu Lankin, who commanded a gun-running boat during the anti-British terrorist campaigns, was going to be nomi-nated for the job effectively scuppered his chances.

Since then General Shlomo Arel had become favoured candidate. Avner, though, has the advantage of English birth, being a native of Manchester who emigrated to Israel 30 years ago. A civil servant, he has been political adviser and English speechwriter to the Prime Minister, who now favours his appointment

Artful doings

The £60m takeover battle over Southeby's is not the only wrangle causing acrimony in the art world. Each year the Government gives £1m to help regional and university museums to buy works of art. Subject to a nominal right of veto by the Arts Minister, allocation is in the gift of Sir Roy Strong, director of the Victoria and Albert Museum. But with the V & A soon to be removed from direct ministerial control and become a trustee museum, MPs are pressing for the £1m to be distributed by the Museums and Galleries Commision. While the minister consults, Strong is busily lobbying. Despite his eloquence I expect the MPs to prevail.

Savoy fare

To please Professor Arnold Bender, who says we are all saltaholics, and to launch a sodium-free salt substitute called Selora, which is to salt what Stork was to butter, the Savoy chef Anton Edelmann yesterday produced an entirely salt-free menu. It was, he boasted, the first completely desalinated meal in the world, but I am inclined to take that with a pinch of, well, you know

Timely quip

The extremely beautiful and charming Princess Michael of Kent gave what may have been the first royal interview to have been broadcast live when she was guest of the week on Woman's Hour yesterday. Asked about the critical press coverage she has received, she replied winingly: "I try to have a sense of humour . . and only read The Times."

Consuming

After an acrimonious confrontation on Monday's BBC Breakfast Time programme Gerard Vaughan, the minister for consumer affairs. gallantly offered Elizabeth Filkin. the director of the National Association of Citizens' Advice Buseaux, a lift from the studio in his ministerial car. Thanks to the unexploded German bomb, the two were stuck in the traffic together for more than two hours. "It did give me an opportunity to get our views across," Filkin said airily yesterday, but even so the minister ha announced an independent review of the running of the organization.

Buxton ho

The theme of this summer's Buxton Festival is Boccaccio, and flight to the hills for sybaritic entertainment. Not only will there be a retrospective of Pasolini's Boccaccio films and two operas, Vivaldi's Griselda and Gounod's La Colombe, inspired by Boccaccio stories, but the festival is recruiting a cast of one hundred to read the complete Decameron, ten chanters on each of ten days. Artists of every sort will be press ganged for this first public reading of the bawdy classic, but others to be invited to read chapters include Lord Goodman; the Duke of Devonshire; Lady Spencer, who reopened Buxton spa last year, her mother, Barara Cartland, whose books are rather like Boccaccio diluted with spa water, Gerald Kaufman, who is a festival fan, and Roy Hattersley, who was rash enough to mention one in print.

Get the drift?

Scots! Hold on to your snowballs! Colin Reid, lecturer in public law at Aberdeen University, counsels that my declaration that snowballing is now legal in Scotland was a mite premature. The Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 has come into force for most purposes, and is intended to replace various local Acts and the Burgh Police (Scotland) Acts 1892 to 1911, as I said - but the older legislation remains in force for the time being, and will not cease to have effect until the end of 1984 or such other date as the Secretary of

State may specify.
It would be a mean old procurator fiscal who brought charges under the legislation, but it could happen, and the transitional period is to allow local authorities to produce any bylaws they consider necessary to deal with things not covered in the new Act - like snowballing.



happened to the first cuckoo?

Irving Kristol reports on America's controversial line on El Salvador

The only way for Reagan

New York If Jimmy Carter had been elected president in 1980, what would US policy now be toward El Salvador? Does anyone really think that it would differ essentially from President Reagan's, which can be fairly described as "minimal, defensive intervention"? Or, for that matter, what would a President Mondale's policy be? The rhetoric might be different, but this would not affect the substance of policy.

Any president would find in this case he had very little freedom of action. He certainly would be reluctant to send in troops; Americans are having enough trouble governing themselves without trying to govern El Salvador. On the other hand, he is not going to sit by and watch El Salvador join Cuba and Nicaragua as another "Marxist" dictatorship supported by and allied with the Soviet Union.

It is conceivable, if barely, that an American president would take seriously the public suggestions of some Latin American countries, and of the West European allies, that we push the government of El Salvador to negotiate with the rebel forces, in the hope of establishing some sort of popular front" government.

He would quickly find that to be a blind alley. If the rebels were interested in mere political participation, they would not have boycotted the last elections. A government that emerges from such

guerrilla leaders to its cabinet, unrest or turmoil or subversion in a especially when these leaders have made it quite clear that they are interested in nothing less than total power, undisturbed by free elections.

The Reagan policy in El Salvador is pretty much an inevitable policy for any administration. So why is it so controversial?

The answer, in part, has some-thing to do with the spirit of demagogic opportunism that today envelops the Democratic Party when it is in opposition. That party, and especially its liberal wing, has come close to believing that it is the only legitimate governing party, and that its task is not merely to win the next election but to destroy any Republican administration that resumes to sit in office.

Such demagogic opportunism, however, would itself run the risk of affronting public opinion were it not sanctioned and legitimized by a set of ideas that are unexamined truths for influential sections of the media and academia. In the case of El Salvador, there are two such ideas that cloak irresponsibility with the mantle of statesmanship. The first is a simple-minded, "progressive" economic determinism. The second is a self-inflicted verdict of guilt when confronted with militant, leftwing egalitarian ideologies.

This economic determinism, so ingrained a mental habit that even conservative politicians resort to it without a second thought, is

an election is not about to appoint revealed every time we encounter poor country. We immediately start thinking about the nation's poverty as being beyond doubt the fundamental cause" of the political

> Practically every country in Latin America - and El Salvador most notably - has a long history of political instability, social unrest, and economic ineptitude. Why is this so? Why has it been so for more than 150 years? No one seems able to come up with a plausible answer. All one can say is that the traditions - political, religious, cultural - that shape Latin American thinking and behaviour are such as to make it exceedingly difficult for the coun-tries of South America to proceed along the line followed by North

America and Western Europe. Whatever decent solution might exist to the internal problems of Latin America lies in the womb of time. We can offer economic assistance, of course, and where political stability exists, economic aid can be helpful. But political stability is the essential prerequisite. This is most especially and obviously the case when the government confronts a well-organized guerrilla insurgency, since a major goal of the insurgents is, precisely, to destroy the economy. This is exactly what is happening in El Salvador.

The other main ideological problem derives from the fact that when faced by a political opposition

justice" - a presumptive economic egalitarianism enforced by political coercion - Americans immediately feel defensive and impotent.

We are so disoriented by that appeal to "social justice" that we immediately, in our minds, begin to delegitimize the existing regime by wondering whether it really does have popular support, or by focusing on the various inadequacies (eg. military incompetence) and sins (eg. violations of human rights) of that regime. The inadequacies are real enough, as are the sins. But somehow we do not get similarly upset when we see such inadequacies and sins in left-wing regimes, nor do we spontaneously seek for reasons to think better of the insurgencies they have to cope

The issue in El Salvador is just about as clear-cut and simple as any foreign policy issue can be. The options are limited, the choice would seem to be obvious. What is absurdly complicated, to the point of being self-destructive, is the state influential Americans approach this

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Chronology of the Iran-Iraq war October 1979: traq demands abrogation of 1975 treaty delineating border with Iran In disputed Shatt-al-Arab waterway: calls on Iran to evaluate strategic islands at mouth of Guif: demands autonomy for Iran's Baluch, Kurdish and Arab communities. November 1: Demands rejected. December 14-March 29, 1980: Border

April, 1960: Thousands of Shia, Muslims supporters of Ayatoliah Khomeini deported from Iraq. Khomelni calls for ember 21, 1980: Major traci offensive oil refinery centre of Khorramshahr captured. Abadan surrounded. January 1981: Iranian counter-offensive. Four months fighting lead to virtual

nber 1981: Abadan siege lifted. May 1982: Khomamshahr recaptured after Iranian sorino offensive.

June 1982: tragi forces withdraw from kan July 1982: Iranian army crosses into Iraq. Heaviest fighting of war. Total deaths on both sides since it began put at 150,000. February 1983: New Iranian offensive fizzies out after early revers April 1983: Iraqi protest at continued

Inside war-torn Iraq: will Saddam be the last victim?

military initiative. Peace attempts run into the obstacle of Ayatollah Khomeini's passionate antipathy to the Iraqi President, Saddam Husain, and his insistence on Saddam's removal as an Iranian war aim.

The Ayatollah evidently believes that if he keeps up the pressure long enough, Iraq is bound to crack. He may not be wrong.

The Iraqi president is now increasingly dependent on Arab paymasters who would gladly ditch resorted to selling public him if they could be sure of a stable industries to private capital. peace. He is seeking desperately to broaden his domestic political base and has made overtures to a wide range of opposition forces proposing a national coalition government.

These forces include leftists, democratic nationalists, Islamic groups and - perhaps most signifi-cantly - Kurdish parties involved in a long-drawn-out guerrilla struggle in the northern mountains.

The Kurds are Iraq's biggest opposition group. After dark their northern Iraq. In the past President Saddam's regime has been ruthless in its treatment of opposition, especially Kurdish opposition. That he should now offer power-sharing to a group like the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK), which has played a leading role in the Kurdish guerrilla struggle, suggests that he is indeed a desperate man.

President Saddam is going ahead defiantly with a few prestige projects like the \$2,000m mosque in Baghdad. Yet public servants

Now that the elation over the triumph of Gandhi's Oscars has

waned, a straw poll of established

UK producers and directors reveals

only guarded optimism over the

can contain the occasional Iranian cent. Payments to Iraqi contractors offensives but cannot regain the are reportedly being postponed for two years.

Iraq is seeking to reschedule nearly 2,000 million dollars of payments due this year on its total debt of about \$7,000m. Foreign reserves have fallen from more than \$30,000m before the war to less than \$5,000m today. The present shortfall in revenue is estimated by western analysts to range from 500 to 960 thousand million dollars a month. The regime has even resorted to selling public sector

The key question is what position the Gulf states will adopt in the present financial crisis. Hitherto they have spent \$46,000m in loans to Iraq. Saudi Arabia is believed to have given an extra thousand million dollars a month plus an additional amount of about 6-7,000 million dollars in January.

This last payment seems to have come in the wake of a joint plot by Iran and Syria against Iraq. The plan was, allegedly, for an Iranian guerrilla forces control large areas of attack to coincide with a Syrian move to cut the Aqaba-Baghdad highway at their common border in the Mafraq area. Because of the involvement of Syria and Libya, both allies of the Soviet Union, the western camp closed ranks behind the Iraqi regime. Saudi Arabia provided finance. The French even opened their military stores to the Iraqi army in addition to giving credit to French companies operat-

Reports are that this latest hand-

As the financial noose has tightened in recent months, so President Saddam was led to make small political offerings to the Kurds, Kurds drafted into the army have been allowed to serve in Kurdish areas, Kurdish prisoners have been released and thousands of Kurdish deserters given amnesty.

The reason for these concessions is that the northern Kurdish areas of Iraq have been slipping from his grasp. The countryside there is out government control from dusk onwards. Like Lilliputians tying down Gulliver, the Kurdish guerrillas have effectively trussed up the regime through many small-scale raids and operations. Anyone the Kurds may consider worth kidnappin - government officials, foreign engineers - travels in convoy under military escort. President Saddam needs to neutralize the Kurds, at the very least. It would be even better for him, of course, to raily their

The dilemma of whether to join a coalition regime is particularly perplexing for the Kurds. They have learned from experience not to trust others. When they have no real guarantee that any future regime in Baghdad will do any better by them. can they really afford to ignore the bait of autonomy that President Saddam is dangling?

Any autonomus Kurdistan with a measure of internal democracy coexisting alongside an autocratic regime in Baghdad is like an elephant inside a boa constrictor out exasperated the Saudis, who are fundamentally indigestible. And one

device to buy time. On the other hand, if he feels that his survival is at stake, he is capable of taking any kind of gamble to stay in power.

Though the largest Iraqi Kurdish guernila group - Jalal Talabani's PUK - was negotiating indirectly with President Saddam as recently as January, it is now anxious to give the impression that its dealings with the regime are over. The ostensible reasons are the united front it has newly created with 19 other Iraqi opposition groups and the regime's

present weakness. Some Kurds argue that even an Islamic Republic in Iraq would be preferable to the present regime. Such a regime would be unpopular, unstable and, above all unbeloved by the West. The West might then perhaps be led to support the Kurds' claim for an independent state that was denied them after the First World War. (There are 16 million Kurds living in Iraq, Iran, Turkey and Syria).

The Kurds are themselves, however, deeply divided and Saddam Husain, even with his back to the wall, is a clever politician. If, for example, he is able to bring some Kurds into the regime, can others afford to stay out? Suppose he concedes one of the major Kurdish demands - the stationing of 20,000 Kurdish troops in their own area

with an international guarantee? Whatever they say publicly, the Kurds cannot afford to stay out of Saddam's deadly game.

Helga Graham

Building on the glory of Gandhi

industry's future. "I'd like to think this has broken through a few barriers. We shall see", said Verity Lambert, EMI's new head of production. "It's amazing that the at a minute fraction of their real press does one piece each year and then forgets us", said Alan Parker. First to protest was the Associ-This Government is intent on ation of Independent Producers reducing existing support for the (which includes David Puttnam). commented one irate Since then, the new 200-strong Directors Guild of Great Britain has industrialist. "In effect the success of Gandhi simply increases confidence called for a reversal of government in a tiny handful of people. It policy. The Guild is also banking on doesn't help the industry as a an audio-visual revolution in the near future; with the advent of cable, Since November 1982 the industhey say, television, cinema and try has been gripped by mild panic theatre will flow together both as

at the prospect of lain Sproat, Under platforms for artistic expression and Secretary of State for Trade, abolishing the Eady levy, a ticket tax originally created to help British as sources of funding. In December, Lord Grade set up a producers. Most film-makers agree new company which would put stars that in practive Eady has not worked such as Glenda Jackson and Albert for a long time, and that the National Film Finance Corporation Finney on the West End stage and then broadcast the performances which it funds has never met its abroad on cable. Now Lord Grade. brief - to stimulate commercial yet part if the US Embassy indigenous British films. But they Communications company, has bought the US pay-TV and cable oppose its abolition because it would remove the last shred of protective rights to Gandhi - a deal that went through the week before the Oscars clothing guarding the film industry from the competition of television and is worth a reported \$17m about which shows huge numbers of films

company that nurtured Gandhi, is selling David Puttnam's First Love TV series for cinema release. Goldcrest sales chief Bill Gavin recently explained that "everything has changed in the space of 18 months, simply because American cable is now devouring everything we can supply, and paying larger sums than we ever imagined in the process". In Britain, Rediffusion, the TV rentals company involved in cable development, have already invested £1.5m in film and TV production, with the promise of more to follow.

But the question remains: will the City invest in the tapidly changing film business? Clive Parsons (producer of Gregory's Girly: "At least the awards will focus people's attitudes here on our successes abroad". Jeremy Thomas, producer of two of Nicolas Roeg's pictures, feels the Oscars "can only do good on the finance side. The industry has been considered a failure, wrongly, for too long." But Tony Williams.

former head of Rank's now-defunc production programme, is cautious: production programme, is cautious:
"The response last year, after Chariots. was virtually nil. The finance will only come if the City can see exactly how they're getting their money back, and we haven't got the marketing strength to ensure that the contract "

With foreign TV sales and careful marketing, a modestly-budgeted film can new hardly lose money. And on a major project like Gandhi, which cost \$20m, the figures can be mouth-watering: with the \$17m sale to Lew Grade and its worldwide cinema release, Gandhi should make a net profit of at least \$30m. So why doesn't investment pour in? At the top end of the sale, backers were alarmed by the collapse of Lord

Grade's huge programme of "inter-national" films two years ago. It has been said that the British film industry is a marsh infested with the buzzing of pressure groups. amateurs, and professional mourners. Alan Parker and his colleagues in the Directors Guild fall into none of those categories. "I believe we can crack the world market," says Parker, "if only we can get your foot in time. government support in our struggle with piracy and the TV companies.

With that support we could stimulate the City investment."

Ronald Butt

Yon Cassius, Foot's unlikely hero

Shakespeare Company's new pro-duction of Jolius Caesar (which the Cassius who critics do not exactly urge us to rush to see) is eccentric in typographical design and ingenious in content. Julius Caesar is a political play, and as though to compensate the audience for any disappointment with what happens to it on the stage, the programme is embellished with (among much else) political com-

ment.
"Eminent contemporary political figures" are asked the following Alevel question: "Were the conspirators right to have assassinated Julius Caesar for the public good, in order to prevent the creation of what med to them a virtual dictator-

ship?"
Six of the seven replies were judicious in content and would satisfy the examiner's requirement that the question answered must be the question asked. General Sir. John Hackett concluded that the question involved in this assassin-ation was essentially the same as that which would be involved in deciding to launch a nuclear attack if the public good seemed to require it and confessed: "I do not know the

Sir Harold Wilson thought it was not "appropriate" to assassinate a national leader, Mr Neil Kinnock, and Mr Peter Jenkins of The Guardian, thought Caesar's assassination unjustified because it ushered in a worse dictatorship than Caesar's. Mr Enoch Powell, in a neat reference to the plot of Essex against Elizabeth L observed contentedly: "How happy England, with legi-timacy to be its shield against

impending perils!"
In this galaxy of sober comment, however, one contribution shone with a quite peculiar light, illumina-ting the commentator far more than the subject. Mr Michael Foot replied: "Cassius is the real hero of the play, the real man of flesh and blood and feeling, the true, responsible, far-seeing revolutionary. Maybe Shakespeare himself wanted to call this, the greatest of his political plays, by its proper name. But some theatrical agent or promoter stepped in and insisted that the title Julius Caesar was necessary for box office purposes."

Thus, alone of the respondents, Mr Foot dodges the question. He escapes by lauding a hero-figure. Cassius becomes a kind of Roman Nye Bevan. This kind of escapism is, of course, characteristic of Mr Foot's political utterances generally and it is of more than literary significance. It arises from the split political personality of a man who, in his private political fantasies, broods favourably on revolutionary scenarios elsewhere that his other parliamentary and law-abiding self could never countenance at home.

Still more illuminating, however, is Mr Foot's nomination of Cassius as "the real hero . . . the far-seeing revolutionary." (Did Cassius foresee The war between Iraq and Iran, now salaries, including those of officers, two and a half years old, has settled into a stalemate. Iraq's armed forces

The war between Iraq and Iran, now salaries, including those of officers, the Gulf states cannot go on into a stalemate. Iraq's armed forces

The war between Iraq and Iran, now salaries, including those of officers, the Gulf states cannot go on present strategy by opponents is that these events of the Caesars that these events one man with a lean and hungry look for another. The parallel quite startling. Like the Cassius of aesar's description, Mr Foot "reads much; he is a great observer. .

Such men as he be never at heart's Whiles they behold a greater than themselves

And therefore are they very dangerous Most people's politics are probably determined more by genetic predisposition than they care to think, and Mr Foot's are those of an instinctive anti-powers-that-be-man, an overturner. He finds it hard to

pay respect to the existing order. To

The programme for the Royal a man with this kind of pride, Shakespeare Company's new pro- Shakespeare's, if not the historical.

...had as lief not be as live to be In awe of such a thing as I myself would naturally be appealing.

So to such a character he gives heroic status, even though Cassius makes false propaganda to win Brutus to his cause: . I will this night

In several hands, in at his windows throw. As if they came from several Writings all tending to the great.

That Rome holds of his name...
What is a little trickery of this sort compared with what goes on inside the Labour Party? What is Cassius's bitter tirade against Caesar com-pared with Mr Foot's notion of truth that made him say of Mrs Thatcher. "She worships the profit motive, the money test. Nothing else, no other value in life, is allowed to count."

Yet, of course, there is a difference. Mr Foot (even metapho-rically) is not prepared to wield the revolutionary dagger to usher in the social revolution that will make all men equal and create a fine new order. He will not abandon constitutional ways, for he is a parliamentman content to admire great revolutionaries from his armchair. That is his and our safeguard. As for making Cassius his hero, that you might say is no more than literary jeu d'esprit.

But it is very careless jeu d'esprit. and Mr Foot is habitually more careless about facts and consequences than politicians who wish to be taken seriously ought to be. In this case, he has little excuse. He is essentially a bookish, when not a ranting, man. The old bibliophile is the name that Mr Alan Watkins has coined for him. So he should be aware that Shakespeare's Cassius is a man of envy and resentment, a man who had he lived to enjoy power would probably (as the great quarrel with Brutus over Cassius's bribery shows) have been corrupted by it.

The same is true of the historical Cassius. If Cassius had defeated Octavian and Antony, would the empire of the Cassiuses have been better than that of the Caesars? Why does not Mr Foot know that every new order (most conspicuously Lenin's) has been corrupted by power and that the case against his socialist new order is that in the modern world it gives greater power to the state than any other system.

The historical Cassius killed Caesar not for institutional liberty but to restore the power of the aristocratic order. Apart from proud dislike of the existing power, he had little in common with Mr Foot's aspirations. But they did share one thing. Cassius seemed no more aware of the consequences of his deed than Mr Foot worries about the consequences of inflating the econ-omy with £10,000m, taking us out of the European Economic Community, putting up protectionist shutters and unilaterally renouncing

Caesar's death by 23 wounds only made matters worse. But they were bad anyway. "Debauched by dema-gogues and largess, the Roman People were ready for the Empire and the dispensation of bread and circuses" was the comment on these events by that areat authority.

Professor Ronald Syme.
Fortunately, the British people do not seem to be ready for the notdissimilar bread and circuses offered by Mr Foot's Labour Party. Fortunately, also, Mr Foot is really no Cassius. The irony is that in his own party he is more likely to be metaphorically knifed than knifing.

Susan Marling

Seeing red over the Blues

oseph Horowitz is a hard man to shock. A composer and professor of music at the Royal College gets to hear some strange noises. Electronic music produced by hitting the exhaust pipe of a 1959 BSA motorbike with a rusty spanner, tunes which have much in common with the rumbling of a full stomach, concertos for a bagpipe and Bex Bissel Shampoo-Master. But what I took him came as a genuine

From the Redifussion music factory in Orpington I had been given a six-pack of background music cassettes. Twenty four hours of neatly categorized numbers -Red, Green, Blue and - wait for it -Beautiful Music. Listening to it all was like eating chips with gloves on. What musical chemistry could produce such blandness? I packed the cassettes in a violin case and went to see the master,

We began with some Green. Green is middle of the road. Very suitable for foyers and lifts and other places where there's a minimal chance of an attentive audience. Horowitz gave the first tune, "London Town", his full attention. He frowned and made little tapping movements with his foot. This music has been made by s mebody very clever," he said eventually.
"It's a sound which reminds you of music but isn't. An excellent engineer has taken a chord sequence and just devised a pattern of harmonic variations, There's no pronounced melody and beat that you can follow and the chords hang on in a way that it's difficult to tap

"One of the first jobs I ever had at the Bristol Old Vic. I had to compose background music for the interval. I nearly lost the job because couldn't write music that people Chris Auty | wouldn't fisten to. It's very difficult.

"Most composers have something in their music which makes it exciting or disturbing so that you can't help but be involved. This, you see has had every idiosyncracy removed. Remarkable. As I say, it is anti-music, but I pay tribute to the gangster who created it."

I was just getting going on the Red (the "big beat sound, with brass percussive rhythm and discreetly spaced vocals") when we were interrupted Before I could switch the machine off another music teacher caught a few bars of "Get Up and Boogie" and narrowed her eyes. You can't imagine what a torture it is when they play that stuff in restaurants. You see, if you're a musician you have to listen.

We drove on into the Blue.
"Romantic piano and strings with relaxed rhythm predominating."
Only the titles of the numbers were faintly ironic: "There's a Kind of Hush", "How Long Has This Beca Going On?" and "Music Speaks Louder than Words". I asked the professor if any of the great composers work would stand the Green or Blue treatment. "No", he said. "I think a bad pupil of Vivaldi would be the nearest in classical terms. This is music arranged by uninterested people but beautifully engineered. It's as though a computer has written the verse inside 2 birthday card and cut out all the emotive words."

I packed my cassettes away and could hear some students practising jazz. There was a piano and saxophone. I wondered if they would ever try to get a holiday job in a hotel and be turned down in favour of a Micro 2 endless loop machine stuffed to the gunnels with Blue. It wasn't until I was out of the building that I noticed from the publicity material that Rediffusion's telex code is SONATA. Joseph Horowitz would have liked that.

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CHICAGO

The city Martin Luther King It speaks of the disarray of the lose their place as the premier called the most segregated in the machine bequeathed by Mayor racial minority in the numerical North has a new black mayor. Daley – thanks to Mr Washingsense in the United States to the "The whole nation is watching," Mr Harold Washington said yesterday, "as Chicago has sent a powerful message." Indeed this urban political spectacle has city administration across the North East of the United States. attracted an international audiin parts of the South and in California. The election was a ence, made up in part of everwatchful anti-Americans greedy for evidence of social ills, in part of America's friends, who have been at once fascinated and repelled by the overt racialism tial apartheid. and violence of the contest yet Yet there are grounds for optimism that Mr Washington somehow exhibitated by the vigour of municipal politics in a will be able to establish himself. great city. And what a contest. He is no radical, not even a black leader in the mould of the Rev Mr Washington is a lacklustre former Congressman and a tax Jesse Jackson: it is likely there evader whose canvassing in a will be accommodation with the local prison was greeted by one newspaper as "homecoming". His opponent's disabilities began remnants of the Daley machine, for it knew only one motto and that was power. The recent

semites; a former patient in useful alliance with city business psychiatric hospitals and - leaders which on the evidence of

1968. Mayor Richard Daley's For American politics at large

police had only to see facial hair the message from Chicago has

a beard-wearer in a city where, in has served the city well.

election presages no rise of black political influence in Washingmessage from Mr Washington's election is mixed. ton D.C. - the reverse. As blacks fact for both parties to weigh.

Republican in a city where they

weigh Democratic votes; Jewish

perhaps the least disadvantage -

in order to draw their night-

ton's predecessor Mayor Jane Hispanics so their political Byrne - and the belated rise of leverage in the federal governblack political organization of a ment declines: the black caucus type that has carried blacks into in Congress is in decline. Blacks in Washington still have some veto power but during an administration indifferent to their political aspirations (witdelayed psephological expression ness the President's misguided of the "white flight" that has attempt to roll back the Voting made Chicago a city of residen- Rights Act) and their economic plight (black unemployment remains stubbornly some nine percentage points above that for white males) they make scant positive contribution to policymaking. Even a Democrat president as liberal as Mr Walter Mondale might be as unlikely to listen to black political lobbyists with undivided attention; other vocal minorities now press with the fact that he is a tenure of the mayoralty in Los themselves into the Democratic

Angeles is instructive here: Tom Party's coalition. Yet Mr Washington's election in a city of Polish and Irish anti- in some regard, constructed a shows clearly the vital role of black political organization at local level; in some of the black city wards he received 94 per cent of the vote which has been boosted by active registration campaigns. Black voting registrations could, by the time of next year's presidential pri-maries, be at an all-time high - a

WHEN JUSTICE MISCARRIES

Bradley, a mediocre performer

leaders which on the evidence of

the forthcoming Olympic Games

two parts. One is that the

especially when it leads to imprisonment

The English trial system is weighted in favour of the proportion of them are righted. accused. It insists on an Last November, the House of extremely high standard of proof Commons Home Affairs Combefore there can be a conviction, mittee proposed a safety net, an and there are a number of independent review body which evidential safeguards within the would have the power to conpoor advocacy, or mere accident. to grant a pardon, and did not

second tier of appeal. through uncorrected, and they occurred.

No country's system of trial is are sometimes appalling. Men proof against error, and none is have spent months, sometimes free of the occasional miscarriage many years in prison because of justice. The English adver- someone wrongly identified sarial system with its reliance on them, or a key witness was not what happens in court on the day called at the trial, or an apparof trial, is perhaps more prone to ently truthful witness is achieving an incorrect result subsequently found to be than the continental inquisa- corrupt, or just because the jury torial approach, in which far believed the wrong person. more investigation is done Occasionally, the efforts of the before the case reaches court. In organization Justice or of indilogic, it is as much of an injustice vidual writers like Mr Ludovic that a guilty defendant goes free Kennedy, or campaigns in newsthan that an innocent man is papers, draw attention to misconvicted, but we are struck carriages and, with luck, they are more deeply by the con-remedied. Justice believes, sequences of unjust conviction however, from its experience, that there are some 200 to 300 relatively serious miscarriages of justice a year. Only a small

The Government has now rejected that proposal, but in terms which demonstrate acceptance of the possible extent of the problem and a willingness to try to close the gap through which the unfortunate victims fall. The Government's solution couched in the language of intent, rather than action: "The Home Secretary will in future be prepared to exercise his power of reference (to the Court of Appeal) more readily" and the Lord Chief Justice "sees room for the court to be more ready to exercise its own powers to receive evidence, or order a retrial".

The Government is right to prefer that miscarriages of justice be corrected through a judicial, rather than an extra-indicial process. It is too optimistic, however, to believe that all miscarriages will be removed by the Home Secretary and the trial procedure. Yet mistakes sider, and if necessary investi- Court of Appeal each showing happen, whether because of gate, those cases that fell short of more flexibility. Some cases are human failing or perversity, or convincing the Home Secretary not susceptible of treatment by court proceedings. The Govern-So an appeal procedure allows provide new evidence of the ment allows the possibility of victims of alleged injustice to kind that would persuade the calling in experienced lawyers to test the verdict against them. Court of Appeal to entertain a conduct one-man investigations Sometimes, there is even a new appeal, but were neverthe- in particularly complex cases. less felt to contain some indi- That device may well be needed Even so, injustices slip cation that injustice might have more often than the Government implies.

THE GEOGRAPHY OF GRIEF

by those bereaved was dignified and moving. Though the experience itself must have been heartrending, the families clearly felt the need to go. Nobody would begrudge them their What can the Government be journey to the South Atlantic or expected to do in response? It is the generosity of British Airways not clear how great the demand and Cunard in providing them with a free passage.

Yet, a faint sense of injustice has been stimulated. Widows of the war in Ulster might feel slightly put out. The conflict in which their husbands perished has been protracted and largely inglorious in the sense that the mainland British public would prefer to forget about it, even though it has still to be won. Awider element of grievance exists, however. There are more than 64,000 British war widows. No breakdown is available, conflict by conflict, though the bulk of them lost husbands in World War II (figures for bereaved parents are unknown). Only those who suffered their loss after 1967 have enjoyed the right to free travel to an overseas grave, provided the visit was paid within two years of burial.

Lady Jeger was justified in

Road to church unity

Sir, Canon Alan Wilkinson (April 9)

touches some sore spots, notably the

unacknowledged and unconscious forces at work to retard Christian

unity. In Scotland some of as have

Alongside the medieval parish kirk of St Mary's, Haddington, East

Lothian, stands my private chapel

long derelict and long known as the

Lauderdale Aisle. In parallel with a decision by the Kirk Session to

restore the choir and transepts of this church - in ruins and open to

the sky since 1550 - and to do so as

an ecumenical venture, an ancient parish minister plays host and pilgrimage point was restored too.

This used to be an "Abarage of prayer, around the church. An the Biessed Virgin and Three Anglican bishop presides at the Kings", which stood in the north Encharist with Church of Scotland.

From the Earl of Lauderdale

been pegging away at this.

4. . . .

of Lords on Tuesday asking the pre-1967 war widows.

Government to consider helping Disbursements could those widowed long ago who have never been able to pay their last respects at the graveside. What can the Government be would be if retrospective facilities were offered to all 64,000, plus one companion if the post-1967 formula was followed. If even a majority took up such an offer the cost would be considerable. Thousands died in hundreds of theatres between 1939 and 1945 in a global not a local conflict. Transporting the widows of World War II would not be a matter of packing people into Jumbo jets and arranging departures to a hand-

ful of destinations. The Government should pause for a while in the hope that a level of demand will manifest itself through the British War Widows and Associates and similar organizations. After a France and Belgium. If at all sudgment has been reached, the possible, the bereaved should be Ministry of Defence might able to visit those corners. consider launching an appeal however great the lapse of time and setting up a fund - White- since their loss. They have a hall offering, perhaps, to match claim on our compassion, our pound-for-pound every private gratitude and our purse.

transept and was still being endowed

as late as 1595, some 35 years after

the Scottish Reformation. It has

since been restored as the Shrine of Our Lady of Haddington in the Lauderdale Aisle near by and been

made available for the use of all.

Church of Scotland ministers cel-

ebrate their Holy Communion there

regularly, Anglicans offer their Eucharist there. Roman Catholics

offer Holy Mass from time to time.

There is a major pilgrimage on the second Saturday of May each year

(May 14, 1983) with public transport

from St Andrews Square, Edin-burgh Up to 1,000 people gather from all over central and southern

Scotland and northern England. The

The pilgrimage to the Falklands tabling a question in the House contribution - for the benefit of

Disbursements could be made on an ad hoc basis depending on an applicant's financial circumstances and the complexity of travel arrangements required. It is far easier and cheaper, for example to visit Normandy than Korea. The Government could also offer consular assistance in countries like Burma where foreign visitors are not a common phenomenon. A sympathetic British official in Rangoon, for example, could make all the difference to a World War II widow on what could be a bewildering and emotional occasion.

Sometimes a poetic cliché is apt to describe a circumstance. There genuinely is many a corner of a foreign field that is forever England, from the Imjin River in Korea, through the Asian jungles to the heights above the Dardanelles and the rolling countryside of northern

rite. There is a special blessing and communion of the disabled and

"favours". it is all organized by a group of four Church of Scotland ministers, three Anglicans and two Roman Catholic priests with a few lay people. There is a special Marian prayer - in the form of a Memorial of the Incarnation - compiled by the Darish minister which we regularly grown a deep unity of love, even if full unity of faith and order still

ministers joining in the administ-ration. The Auxiliary Bishop of St Andrews and Edinburgh Archdiocese offers Holy Mass in the Roman

use together. Among us there has chudes us. Yours etc. LAUDERDALE,

House of Lords.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Citizen's advice a growth industry

From Mr Jonathan Davies Sir, It is dismaying to read of the Minister of Consumer Affairs' actions against the Citizen's Advice Bureaux (report, April 11). The bureau which I attend once a

week for a legal session is run by three people, who work harder, see more people, solve more problems in a day than most solicitors would ever attempt to do.

The staff's range of knowledge is quite extraordinary, their filing and information system is second to none; and their patience with small niggling problems is monumental.
In the area where this bureau

works it is the only growth industry and for a large proportion of poor people the bureau is the only ally or intermediary between them and a rigid and indifferent bureaucracy. sion and credit, to irrigation and roads and bridges. Whether the It is extraordinary to read of a minister, who has no doubt run his own advice clinic in the past,

attacking such an efficient valuable organisation - and then instifying the artack with remarks of the fatuousness that you quote. Yours sincerely JONATHAN DAVIES.

4 Paper Buildings,

Temple, EC4. April 11.

Labour's arms policy

From Mr David Green Sir, Michael Meacher's passion for hiding reality behind statistics (April 7) does not seem to have diminished since we both lost the Oldham, West by-election in 1968.

All governments so far have failed to lead this country to the extra performance necessary to sustain its living standards. Labour and Conservative alike have fought inflation by murdering demand, rather than regenerating supply. The only difference between the last Labour Administration and the present Tory one is that Labour tried to ransom its political reputation by surrendering on the wages front. It created the 22 per cent inflation which the present Government has since bought off - temporarily with grotesque interest rates, conse quential over-valuation of the currency and destruction of jobs.

Underneath, nothing has changed. Nothing will change so long as brute force is the Tory solution, ignorance the Labour one.

Of the ignorant, those who advocate withdrawal from the EEC, upon which most of our remaining jobs depend, and those who imagine that our independent nuclear deterrent has any bearing whatever on the world scene, must rank high.

Of course, with that intellectual flexibility without which membership of the Labour Party is now impossible, Michael Meacher only takes you to task for criticising Labour's unilateralism on the cruise missile. Presumably he is not so sanguine about the rest of his policy. rtainly our tiny land dense population mean virtual annihilation under nuclear attack.

Only nuclear disarmament plus total neutrality might remove us from the destruction list - and then only if we were disposed to give free entry to any Power threatening nuclear attack if it were refused. The probability of someone trying to ensiave us if undefended, however, is considerably greater than the probability of someone trying to destroy us if defended. It's the probabilities that matter.

I'm sure that if Michael Meacher and his colleagues had told the ancestors of my bees that there was no point in them having a sting because using it would kill them (which is true) I wouldn't have any bees if they had accepted his advice. As it is their species has survived on earth for around 200 million years. But then perhaps Michael Meacher doesn't keep bees either. Yours faithfully,

DAVID GREEN, Rhyd yr Harding, Castle Morris, Nr Haverfordwest, April 7.

Post-coital pill

From Sir Anthony Alment, Sir, It is perfectly reasonable to refuse, as John Finnis does (April 5) to distinguish between the union of human gametes to create a zygote and an implanted embryo. To answer Ian Kennedy's question (April 11), to whom does the testtube baby belong, someone free from lawyers' obsession with prop-

erty might answer, "God". There is at present no law about unknowable conceptions because they are an undefined category with regard to intent. Abortion law deals with decisions about conceptions knowable by implantation, and although "pregnancy" may have a useful legal narrowness, doctors invariably refer to the "products of conception" when removing the

material of miscarriage.

Whether the zygote comes to full life status only by natural (or artificial) nurture is not a scientific but a moral issue, although the present Government inquiry will doubtless recommend legal answers to whether there should be restriction of freedom to eliminate zygotes and what is the change in value sick. Some pilgrims attest to striking between zygote and embryo. To be more precarious, which is certainly the condition of the former, is not to be less alive.

Yours sincerely, ANTHONY ALMENT. Winston House, Boughton, Northampton. April II.

The sentence in Mr Ian Kennedy's letter of April 11 reading "And for an abortion the law requires a pregnancy, not contraception" should have read: "And for an abortion the law requires a pregnancy not conception".

Third World aid not all one way

From Professor A. I. Clunies Ross Sir, Readers of the article by Professors Baner and Yamey in The Times of April 11 should remember that official "aid", which the writers regard as blighting him that gives and him that takes, is simply a transfer to Third World governments of claims to resources. Studies such as one by Peter Heller (in the American Economic Review, June, 1975) seem to confirm what we might reasonably expect that, given extra resources through aid, countries tend to expand across the range of types of spending, both private

The activities of Third World governments are not confined to erecting monuments and persecuting minorities but extend to health and training, to agricultural extenroads and bridges. Whether the effect of aid is good or not depends on whether the government is responsible in setting priorities and efficient in observing them. There are weak and irresponsible governments, but there is no universal rule of profligacy and depravity. Gifts and bonanzas may be wasted; they may distort priorities; they may corrupt; but they may also add to the capacity of the recipients to secure more of those useful things which in some degree most governments do provide.

If extra resources passing to

governments in the form of aid are as pernicious in their effects as Professors Bauer and Yamey believe, then it must surely be bad too for a Third World country to find that it possesses a large mineral deposit. Botswana would be lucky if, like Lesotho, it had no diamonds. Bangladesh is blessed because, unlike Indonesia, it has no oil.

The unwary reader of Professors Bauer and Yamey might suppose that donors exercise no control over the uses of their aid. This is very far from the case. Intergovernmental organizations virtually always, and governments often, give their aid for agreed projects. It is true that, apart from the IMF, they do not normally make their aid conditional on the pursuit of certain general economic policies. The combined mismanagement of the world economy by the

major Western Powers since 1973 suggests that this may not be entirely

a matter for regret.

Professors Bauer and Yamey rightly dispose of some spurious arguments for aid, it would be good if they were to use their considerable experience to help in distinguishing what works from what does not, in elucidating what donor and recipient might do to ensure that aid is useful. Instead they join in the business of creating stereotypes, stereotypes moreover that can only bolster meanness and insularity. Yours faithfully,

NTHONY CLUNIES ROSS. Department of Economics, University of Strathclyde, Curran Building, 100 Cathedral Street,

April 12.

From Sir Colin Campbell Sir, The contribution of Professors Bauer and Yamey is timely, but seeks to push the pendulum too far.

While we should eschew the obligation argument, it must be good business for us to do everything we can to help the Third World countries to help themselves,

as well as good morality.

The distinguished professors have made no reference to the need for establishing a mechanism for improving commodity prices. This remains an important and urgent

The professors are right to draw attention to the dangers of aid buoying up incompetent and improvident regimes. The giving of development aid should be dependent on the receiving countries conducting their affairs with reasonable efficiency and so far as possible without corruption.

Above all, we should cease giving aid to the "self-inflicted wound" countries where imprudent fiscal and economic policies stifle the development which, given reform of mistaken policies, they are capable of achieving on their own. Yours faithfully, COLIN CAMPBELL

rising from the dead on the first

Easter morning has always been available to all. Whilst not the

traditional Jewish position, and now

under question from sections of the

either the main source of disagree-

ment upon which the mistakes of

the shame of the Church, or the

mutual understanding.

RICHARD S. HARVEY.

Yours faithfully.

Surrey. April 7.

7 The Chestnuts, Walton-on-Thames,

Victims of war

From Mrs Felicity Little

Sir. I was interested to read the

letters from A. G. W. Wakefield and

Mrs C. Kirk (April 12). Ironically,

the day the Falklands' relatives

landed to pay their visit, my family dedicated a memorial stone in my

father's birthplace in England. It is

in memory of both my parents.
They were killed at sea at the fall of
Singapore in 1942 (as far as we
know) after staying faithfully at their

posts, after years of loyal service to

Is the Government now saying

Kilbryde Castle. Dunblane, Perthshire. April 12.

Christians and Jews

From Mr Richard S. Harvey Sir, Your recent article, "Jesus was a Jew" (April 2) and letters have helpfully clarified some areas of misunderstanding between Christians, Jews and others. May I, as one who endeavours to stand within both Jewish and Christian traditions, add some comments from

an often neglected perspective.

Jewish Christians, or "Messianic Jews", compose that small but significant and growing minority that throughout history has maintained loyalty to Jewish birth and identity, whilst being of firm identity whilst being of firm Christian convictions about the person of Jesus of Nazareth.

tolerate and follow Jesus (pace C. F. D. Moule, April 7) eventually found themselves out on a limb between the larger groups of non-Christian Jews and non-Jewish Christians. So. too, today they are caught in the interface between Jewish and Christian establishments. They experi-ence both the latent antisemitism within the Church and Christian theology, and the rejection of the Jewish community for publicly declaring their belief that the Messiah has come.

Jewish Christians have often been regarded as traitors with less than sincere motives for "conversion" (a word that should primarily express that we shall all be allowed to cast spiritual rather than societal change) by the majority of Jewish people and as something of an embarrassment Yours faithfully, to the Christian Church. Unless, of FELICITY LITT course, one attains recognition as oishop, cardinal or prime minister!

Nevertheless the option of belief Salisbury, that Jesus's alleged messianic claims Wiltshire were historically vindicated by his April 12.

Ships and men

quite correct.

their country.

From Mr George J. Bonwick Sir, Mr J. Newman (April 7) of the Merchant Navy and Airline Officers' Association, misquotes shipping minister, Mr Iain Sproat. He did not say "UK crew manning levels are as much as 25 per cent and more higher than those of European competitors" but that they were "in far too many cases", and he was

Apart from a number of "share ships", i.e., small ships whose small crews share the gross freight with owners rather than receive wages, British crews are certainly larger than most others - in some cases one-third larger, the only exceptions being state-owned or state-subsi-dised ships or those manned by low-cost personnel from South-east Asia. Mr Newman knows perfectly well

that in recent months some UK owners have transferred tonnage to reputable foreign registries because April 7.

up by a quarter", referred to employees of British Petroleum... pushing up last year's wages bill by nearly 25 per cent." The article notes our comment that a significant part of the apparent large increase in the overseas wage bill was attributable to exchange rates movements.

which wages were paid by the group's main employing companies, the increase in the wages bill between 1981 and 1982 was, in round figures, 6 per cent in the United Kingdom, and 7 per cent in Germany and France. In the case of our US affiliate, Sohio, whose wages bill represents 45 per cent of the group's, any comparison is distorted by the acquisition of Kennecott in the middle of 1981: Kennecott itself April 7.

our wreaths where our loved ones fell in war in the future? FELICITY LITTLE Teffont Magna, they are permitted to carry fewer

personnel. The newest Panamax bulker, i.e., one capable of carrying about 70,000 tons of cargo, for instance, registered in the UK carries 26; an identical ship also manned and managed in the UK but registered in Bermuda only 20 and many comparable Scandinavian and European ships fewer still.

I believe the shipping minister has

acted wisely and with courage.

However, I do not share his belief that "the decline of the British Merchant Navy can be halted and can be reversed." On the contrary, I am sure that for some time yet the fleet will continue to decline and, because of the paucity of new buildings, to age. Reversal of the trend is well over the horizon.

Yours truly, G. J. BONWICK. 17 Chestnut Avenue. Wokingham, Berkshire.

Wages at BP From Mr R. W. Adam

Sir, Your issue today (April 7) headlined "BP worldwide wage bill

In terms of the currencies in Yours faithfully,

had more employees than Sonio and the additional half-year's wages for those in 1982 as compared with

1981 invalidates any comparison. This factor alone makes the headlined statement of an increase of a quarter in BP's worldwide wage bill misleading. Companies are repeatedly being

urged to make greater disclosure. In fact we were under no legal obligation this year to give the global figures which led to the report in The Times and, indeed, most international companies have not done so. In the circumstances, it seems unfortunate that as a result of BP's being so forthcoming the instant headline and the contents of the report should have given such a misleading comparison.

R. W. ADAM, Deputy Chairman, British Petroleum Co Ltd. Britannic House, Moor Lane, EC2.

Education and achievement

From Mr A. A. Barton, Sir, Though your editorial, "Filling the school void" (April 12) is welcome as drawing attention to a neglected area of public responsibility, it is disappointing to find it marked by the same muddleheadedness which has bedevilled the politics of both parties towards

education.

If "education" is something which is offered to children, qua children, surely it is obvious that it cannot be primarily concerned with "achievement" if this means achieving a competence in abstract thought only accessible to those who excel their

peer group..
"What list of all the ills confronting Britain in 1965 could possibly have included the grammar schools?" Well, that compiled by those concerned with the fate of 11year-olds with an IQ of 110 or thereabouts who were debarred, regardless of their tastes, ambitions and commitment to school work, from the opportunity of being taught science by specialists, by the operations of administrative convenience and chance. The cure may have turned out worse than the disease, but that was the grievance,

and it was real The central difficulty is perhaps even more oppressive now, and it is that at least one third of the population is entered for a race it must lose and go on losing from five to 16, because the only achievement recognised is academic, and com-petitive, too. In the nature of the case, half the population is below

average.

Professor Kennaway's letter at the bottom of the same page indicates a possibility of a different approach, where there would be room to rate various kinds of practical competence and reliability as "achievement", and without the necessity for the kind of streaming which overrides the choice of the pupil.

Given a well designed scheme of options, young people will choose sensibly from the age of about 13 if they are provided with sensible and sympathetic advice. Your faithfully,

A. A. BARTON, 17 Dunsany Road, W14. April 12,

Ill effects of lead

From Dr James Bevan Christian Church, faith in God's revelation in Jesus must surely be Sir, Lead poisoning has become an emotive subject with good reason. As a general practitioner I, too, am concerned about the evidence of the history have been compounded, to increasing number of surveys showing that lead can reduce the means of true reconciliation and intellience of children and, presumably, adults. I am not surprised that some research, as in all scientific work, does not show statistical evidence of this reduction.

None of the enquiries have shown a statistical swing - which might reasonably have been expected if lead had no effect on intelligence -Marjorie Smith and her colleagues' (April 6) research shows evidence, even if not satistically significant, in favour of reduced intelligence in children with higher levels of lead.

I do not see how any practising doctor can reassure his patients about the safety of lead, at any level, even when below the present socalled "safe level" (blood lead of 25 ug/100 dl). It is possible to reduce the general hazards of lead contamination by stopping its use in petrol even though the real benefits of this may not be obvious for some years. As a public health measure it is essential, as a political step it should be easy. Surely the time has come for this decision. Yours sincerely.

JAMES BEVAN, 9, Hill Road, N.W.8. April 7.

Cash in hand

From Mr Allan Todd Sir, The Chief Cashier of the Bank of England must now be a happy man. After April 21, with the issue of the new coin, he will at last be able to carry out his promise to pay the bearer of a £1 note the sum of one Dound. Yours faithfully,

ALLAN TODD. St George's Lees, Sandwich, April 11.

Bomb in Thames

From Mr H. R. Stevens Sir, Without wishing to detract in any way from the courage of those who handle unexploded bombs, why, once the Thames bomb had been placed in a barge (report, April 12) was it not gently covered with marine collision matting (or sandbags or the like) and towed out of the centre of London?

If such action had been taken immediately the bomb could have been out of London by dawn; and the worst damage that could have occurred would have been a sunk or damaged barge.

The whole affair appears to be a massive and costly overreaction. Yours etc. H. R. STEVENS, Brock Cottage, 34 Compton Way, Moor Park, Farnham, Surrey. April 12.

From Mr Nicholas Bennett Sir, Where is the GLC's non-nuclear bomb free zone? Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS BENNETT. 22 Almond Grove. Hempstead, Gillingham, Kent.

April 12



COURT AND SOCIAL

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WINDSOR CASTLE WINDSOK CASILE
April 13: The Prime Minister and
Mr Denis Thatcher, His Excellency
the Jordanian Ambassador and Mrs
Izziddin, the Lord Rayner, the Izziddin, the Lord Rayner, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and Mrs Walker, Sir Anthony and Lady Parsons, Dame Cicely Saunders and Professor Marian Bohusz-Szyszko, Dr and Mrs Peter Froggatt and Dr and Mrs Patrick Nutigens have left the Castle.

The Lieutenant-Governor of Saskatchewan and Mrs McIntosh and the Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta had the honour of being invited to luncheon with The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr B. G. French and Miss V. V. Singleton

The engagement is announced between Benjamin, younger son of Mr and Mrs Walter French, of Westhill, Aldeburgh, Suffolk, and Virginia, daughter of Sir Edward and Lady Singleton, of 57 Victoria Road London, W8.

Mr M. A. Blanchard and Miss J. S. Hartnell-Beavis

The engagement is announced between Michael, second son of Mr and Mrs P. H. Blanchard, of Concord, California, and Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M. C. Hartnell-Beavis, of Kilcreggan,

Mr R. Brown and Miss P. A. Tyrol

The engagement is announced between Robin, younger son of Mr and Mrs George Brown, of Crowborough, East Sussex, and Patricia, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Frank Tyrol, of Feaster-ville, Pennsylvania, United States.

Mr S. B. Burnett and Miss A. M. Isherwood

The engagement is announced of Stephen, son of Right Rev Dr and Mrs B. B. Burnett, of East London, South Africa, and Anne Marie, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Isherwood, of New York, United

Mr C. Chapman and Miss M. L. Blount

The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of Mr and Mrs T. Chapman, of Suttonat-Hone, Kent, and Michelle, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs B Blount, of Meopham, Kent.

Mrs Kenneth Moodie, of Pro and Alison, daughter of Mr and John Edgar, of Linton, Cambridge and Mrs C. C. Owen and Miss C. E. Brocklehurst

Mr S. J. Coleridge and Señorita S. C. Salaiza Riacon

and Seatorita S. C. Salaiza Rincon
The engagement is announced
between Stephen John, son of Mr F.
S. Coleridge, of Little Comberton,
Worcestershire, and Mrs D. P. E.
O'Leary, of Hampleden, Henley-onThames, Oxfordshire, and Sandra
Chetzul, daughter of Señor and
Señora T. S. Salaiza, of Chihuahua,
Mexicon

Mr J. R. A. Coales

Mr J. L. Gibbo and Miss V. J. Wells

The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Colonel and Mrs Edward Gibbon, of Over Wallop, Hampshire, and Prinsted, Emsworth, Hampshire.

Mr D. R. Hartley and Miss C. A. Fry

The engagement is announced between David Richard, son of Mr and Mrs J. R. Hardey, of Wellington, Shropshire, and Carolyn Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. B. Fry, of Overstone Solarium, Northampton, and Beaminster, Dorset.

Mr W. Heeps and Miss J. Bartlett

University news

KENSINGTON PALACE April 13: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon today visited

The state of the s

Royal Air Force Lyneham.
Her Royal Highness, who
travelled in an aircraft of The
Queen's Flight, was attended by
Lady Anne Tennant and Major The
Lord Napier and Etrick.

April 13: The Duke of Gloucester this afternoon addressed the Business in the Community National Conference at Goldsmiths'

Hail, London.
Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance. YORK HOUSE,

ST JAMES'S PALACE April 13: The Duke of Kent, Colonel-in-Chief The Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regi-ment), today received Colonel Arthur Kemp, Honorary Colonel of the Regiment

Mr B. L. Henderson and Miss R. Maclaran

The engagement is announced between Brian, son of the late Mr T. C. B. Henderson and of Mrs. Henderson, of Gorse Hill, Ballynahinch, co Down, and Rose, daughter of Colonel and Mrs F. B. S. Maclaran, of Hillhead, Cullybackey,

The Rev L. W. G. Hudson and Mrs H. G. Taylor

The engagement is announced between Leslie W. G. Hudson, of Combe St Nicholas, and Doreen M. Taylor, widow of Mr Hugh Garner daugh Taylor, of Cricket St Thomas, Penn, Chard. The marriage will take place Beaco

Mr G. A. McNab and Miss A. E. Simpson

The engagement is announced between Gordon Alastair, only son of Mr and Mrs A. McNab, of Melrose, Scotland, and Anne Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. A. Simpson, of Foxrock, co Dublin.

Mr J. J. Mannering and Miss A. J. Beresford

The engagement is announced between Julian only son of Mr and Mrs John Mannering, of Dover, and Amanda, only daughter of Wing Commander and Mrs Charles Beresford, of Hampstead, London.

Mr W. J. Moodie and Miss A. C. Edgar

The engagement is announced between William, son of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Moodie, of Pretoria, and Alison, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Edgar, of Linton, Cambridge.

Mr G. N. Phillips and Miss A. S. Awdry

The engagement is announced between Graham, only son of Mr and Mrs R. C. Phillips, of 218 Northampton Road, Wellingand Miss M. Borden

The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Mr and Mrs Robin Coales, of Coleshill, Buckinghamshire, and Margaret, Mrs Richard Awdry, of 250

Amersham Road, Welling-borough, Northamptonshire, and Amanda, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs N. Cooke Mrs Richard Awdry, of 250

Amersham Road, Hazlemere, High Wecombe, Buckinghamshire.

The marriage took 19, 1983, at the M Sidlesham, West

MIS S. Roper and Miss A. K. Reynolds
The engagement is announced Goodwood House.
between Simon, eldest son of Mr. J.

And K. K. Lingin P. W. Roper and Mrs Anne Roper, Mr K. F. Unwin of Oxford, and Amaryllis, elder and Miss J. F. P. Arnold

Mr E. H. E. Sawbridge and Miss A. R. L. Watt

The engagement is announced The bride, who was given in between Edward, son of Mr and Mrs marriage by her father, was attended Henry Sawbridge, of Kingsgate, by Alison Stevenson, Margaret Roe, Kent, and Angela, younger daughter Jane King and Holly Barker. Mr of Major and Mrs Anthony Watt, of Mark Rny was best man.

Sunninghill, Berkshire.

A reception was held at Bedge-

£1,000 Premium Bond prizewinners

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Btrathclyde
The following will receive honorary degrees tornorrow:
DSe: Dr Edward Victor Buchanan, aged 96, believed to be the university's oldest graduate; Mr John Fozard, chief designer of the Hawker Siddeley Harrier and LLD: Mr Joel Barnett, MP: Dr John
Hawker Siddeley Harrier and divisional marketing director of Barnett, principal and vice-chancellor of Ediabungh University the Very Rev Dr Andrew Herron. former moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Hawker Siddeley Harrier and LLD: Mr Joel Barnett, MP: Dr John

Barnett, principal and vice-chancellor of Ediabungh University the Very Rev Dr Andrew Herron. former moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

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and Miss C. J. Bailes

The engagement is announced between William, elder son of the late Mr and Mrs W. H. Heeps, of Falkirk, Stringshire, and Jennifer Barrlett, only daughter of Mr and Mrs F. E. Evans, of Oxford House, Mrs F. E. Evans, of Oxford House, Cheltenham, Gioucestershire.

October Fall Walnuer, of Banstead, Emma Elizabeth Hamuton by Mrs E. A. V. Vanner, of Canon Philip Hobbs at St Andrew's, Bramley, Surrey, and Caroline Jane. Sevenhampton, on Sunday, April eldest daughter of Mrs J. Bailes, of 10. The godparents are Mr Simon Wilton, Ross-on-Wye, Hereford, Murray Wells, Mr Robin Bell-shire, and Mr J. E. Bailes, of Irving, Miss Rosemary Whitaker and Miss Jane Gundry.

preside at congregations for the conferment of degrees at Lancaster

University on July 4, 5 and 6. Requiem Mass for King Umberto will be celebrated by the Apostolic Pro-Nuncio in Westminster Cathedral today at 11 am.

Queen Marie Jose is unable to attend the Requiem Mass for King Umberto in Westminster Cathedral owing to illness.

Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton will be installed as Seneschal of Canterbury Cathedral on July 4 in succession to Lord Astor of Hever.

A memorial service for Brigadier H. S. Hopkinson, late of The Blues and Royals, will be held in The Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks on April 28, at noon.

Captain H. A. O. Wicks and Miss J. M. Smyth The engagement is announced between Alastair Wicks, 14th/20th Hussars, son of the late Mr J. A. E. Wicks and Mrs Wicks, of Queen Alexandra's Court, Wimbledon, and Joanna, daughter of Major and Mrs. R. H. Smyth, of Headley, Hamp

Mr R. C. B. Wood Mr R. C. B. Wood and Miss W. G. Taylor The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of Mr and Mrs P. B. Wood, of Jordans, Buckinghamshire, and Gayle, only daughter of Mr K. M. Taylor, of Penn, and Mrs W. V. Taylor, of

Marriages

Commander J. Cooke, RN, and Miss H. Chamier

The marriage took place on Saturday, April 9, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Farm Street, W.I. between Commander Jonathan Cooke, R.N. and Miss Henrictta Chamier,

and Miss G. F. Winhourne

The marriage took place in Palm Beach County, Florida, on Saturday, March 26, of Mr Richard Davis, of Sandhurst, Kent, and Miss Gillian Wimbourne, of Boynton Beach, Florida. Mr Christopher Davis was best man.

Mr S. C. Habershon and Mrs C. M. Mendelsohi

The marriage took place in Ludlov on Saturday, April 9, between Mr Stephen Charles Habershon and Mrs Caroline Mary Mendelsohn.

Dr D. S. Holloway and Dr E. H. H. Jamieson

Mr K. C. Owen
and Miss C. E. Brocklehurst
The engagement is announced between Charles, only son of Mr K.
J. Owen, of Maidenhead, and Mrs D. I. Owen, of Malvern, and Catherine, only daughter of Mr J.
M. Brocklehurst and Mrs M. P.
Brocklehurst, Wharfe, Austwick, North Yorkshire.

and Dr E. H. H. Jamieson
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 9, at the Church of St Nicholas, Castle Hedingham, between Dr David Stansfeld Holloway younger son of Mr and Catherine, only daughter of Mr Francis Holloway, and Dr Elizabeth Helen Hall Jamieson, Mrs Andrew Jamieson, A reception was held at Rookwoods, Sible Hedingham, the home of the bride. home of the bride.

> Mr M. E. L. James and Miss F. A. Blakev The marriage took place quietly in London on April 2 between Mr Michael E. L. James and Miss

The marriage took place on March 19, 1983, at the Methodist Church, Sidlesham, West Sussex, of Mr. Hermon Tsylor and Mrs Noreen Cooke. A reception was held at

Victoria, second daughter of daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter The marriage took place on Saturdy Captain and Mrs Sandy Wells, of Reynolds of Oxford.

April 9, at the Church of St April 9, at the Church of St Laurence, Hawkhurst, Kent, between Mr Kieron Unwin and Miss J. F. P. Arnold.

A reception was held at Bedge-bury Park. Christening

The engagement is announced between Paul James, eldest son of Ian and Mrs Wills was christened Mrs E. A. V. Vanner, of Banstead, Emma Elizabeth Hamilton by Surrey, and Mr J. T. Vanner, of Canon Philip Hobbs at St Andrew's, Branley, Surrey, and Caroline Jane, Sevenhampton, on Sunday, April eldest daughter of Mrs. I Raibe of 10 The andrews.

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Mrs Avril Fishwick, of Haigh, near Wigan, being sworn in yesterday as the first woman High Sheriff of Greater Manchester. With her is Sir William Downward, Lord Lieutenaut of the county.

Time 'running out for Brighton pier'

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

the Brighton West Pier Trust, how long it will last." said after an appeal to local piet this year".

separate official listings as a of the foreshore.

dangerous structure and as an Full restoration would cost historic building of exceptional more than £5m and complete

wanted Brighton council to pay has been put on sale by the half of the £25,000 needed to Crown Estate Commissioners finance a study intended to lead for £100 to a buyer who can to a programme to restore the prove that he can raise £300,000 pier and raise the necessary for immediate essential main-

The rescue trust formed to buy "If nothing is done very soon the Victorian West Pier at it will be too late", Mr Lloyd Brighton gave a warning yester- said. "A kiosk at the southern day that it would soon be too end fell into the sea recently. late to save the collapsing Four columns from the sou structure. thern end have gone. I do not Mr John Lloyd, secretary of think even the engineers know thern end have gone. I do not

The pier was built 120 years councillors: "This is our last ago but has been eclipsed by its throw, because we think some- less elegant and junior neighthing has got to be done to the bour, the Palace Pier. The West Pier is more than 1,000ft long The pier is one of the most and has been closed to visitors evocative surviving monu- for more than five years. It ments to the heyday of the stands on cast-iron piers that Victorian seaside holiday. It has were screwed into the chalk bed

importance. demolition would cost several
Mr Lloyd said that the trust hundred thousand pounds. It



A portrait of Princess Anne by Lincoln Taber, as American who studied under Annigoni in Florence, which is to be presented to the Fishmongers' Company today to hang in Fishmongers' Hall in the City. The oil on panel picture shows the Princess standing in Gatcombe Park, her Gloucestershire home.

Secretary, Dr Arunachalam, Indian Chief Scientific Adviser, Air Marshal Gole, Deputy Chief of the Indian Air Staff, and Brigadier Chandra, military adviser, Indian High Commission.

PRIVATbanken Limited Mr James Mellon, HM Ambassado designate to Denmark, was the guest yesterday at a luncheon given by PRIVATbanken Limited at 107 Cheapside, London, EC2.

Receptions

HM Government The Hon Douglas Hurd, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a reception given at 1 Carlton Gardens, in honour of the President of the Economic and Social Committee of the European Com-munities, M François Ceyrac.

Newspaper Press Fund The Lord Mayor attended a reception given yesterday evening by the Newspaper Press Fund in the Old Library at Guildhall at which the Prime Minister was the principal guest.

Latest wills

Borthwick, Mrs Gladys of Wythen-Fischel, Mr Roy of Hampstead, shawe, Manchester, left estate London produce broker £201,793 valued at £87,846 net. She left all of Grant, Mr Cyril Edward, of

Ministry of Defence

Mr Clive Whitmore, Permanent
Under Secretary of State for for ambassadors, high commissionDefence, was host yesterday at a funcheon given by the Ministry of Countries in West Africa and members of HM Government

Honour of Mr Kaul, Indian Defence
Secretary, Dr Arunachalam, Indian
Chief Secretary and Navy Club
for ambassadors, high commissionfor ambassado

Dinners

The Speaker gave a dinner in Speaker's House yesterday in honour of the Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University and Warnock Other guests were: Mr Ernest Armstrong MP, and Armstrong, Mr Brytant Godenan brytan and Mrs Godenan brytan Mr and Godefrey Book the Rey of the Art and Godefrey Book the Rey of the Art and the Rey Adfrey John, the Rey Pridit I Mr and Mrs John Ward, Mr and Mrs Warnook, Miss Gragel Warnook, Mr.

Mr F. S. Law

Mr Frank S. Law, a UK member o the Economic and Social Com-mittee, gave a dinner on Tuesday at Boodie's for M François Ceytage president of the committee. Those

Mr A Alexander, Mr E Bonfield, Sir John Baccher, Lord Cassinat, M C Evela, Lord Occasion, Mr D Hands, Mr D Hovell, Sir-Robert Livermon, Mr P E Lessrus, M R Lovet, Mr D McLaughlin, M A Marsyel, Lord Marsh, Mr N, Miller, Mr E Mills, Mr D Palmer, Mr W Poeton, Mr B Righty, Mr B Schroder, Mr P Thornson, Sir Gharles Villiers and Mr M Zondon.

Feakes, Mr Gordon of Rodmer-sham, Sittingbourne, Kent £220,600 Borthwick, Mrs Gladys of Wythen Fischel, Mr Roy of Hampstead, Northampton Chronicle & Echo. to shawe, Manchester, left estate London, produce broker £201,793 be executive editor (south) of The valued at £37,846 net. She left all of Grant, Mr Cyril Edward, of her property to the Royal National Lymington, Hants £248,824 Hoggson, Mr William, of Patring Ceeds Mr Howard Faircloth. Lientenast General Sir Nigel Bagnary and Symonds-Tayler, Lady, of Woking, Barges, Major Ynyr Alfred of Surrey, widow of Admiral Sir Commander Northern Army Group Battle, Sussex £543,069 Richard Symonds-Tayler £93,546

Clues too evil for the crossword

By Philip Howard

Is the study of Latin and Greek elitist and unviable in this day trendy jargon, and you get a Johannesburg bookshop, whose blazing thunderbolt from Professor E. J. Kenney, of Cambridge University, in his presidential address to the Classical Association at Nottingham University last night.

frequent visits there. His theme was: "The key and the cabinet", taken from a letter of Sir Walter Scott: "I am no come until he was 40 when The Golden Keel was published. This was based on a story he great idolater of the learned languages, excepting for what they contain. We spend in they vouth that time in admiring the after an Italian partisan raid on wards of the key, which we a motorised convoy. Bagley should employ in opening the declined an invitation to go on cabinet and examining the a treasure hunt for it by an interested group, but wrote about it instead, in a carefully crafted and researched novel treasures.

Professor Kenny argued with wit and precision that in classical literature the key is the treasure, the medium is the message. This may be elitist, if you insist on using that vulgar

Learning any new language is certainly difficult. Agreed, ag-reed, But it can be just as "relevant" in certain circumstances to want to use French to understand Molife or Baudelaire, as to buy a pound of oven-ready frozen chipped potatoes. Catullus may be as relevant and actual as Ted Hughes.

Latin was a self-consciously learned and elitist literature, owing allegiance to the genres, forms, metres and technical standards of Hellenistic Greece. Professor Kenney made a owerful plea for a return to philology in its original sense to the study and love of language.

He gave examples from the grand literature of echoes, nuances, allusions, puns and learned clues, too evil for The Times crossword, that are untranslatable and inaccessible to anybody who does not understand the language, from the majesterial innuendo of Tacitus to the revolutional proclamation made by the

metres of Horace's Odes. Professor Kenney doubts the value, or even the possibility, of teaching most Latin poetry in translation. He holds that nobody can really pretend to understand a Greek or Latin text who has not translated it. however inadequately, for herself or himself.

This may be unfashionable. It may be elitist. But, by Apollo, it is true. Love of language rules. Anti-chitist philistines of the world unite: you have nothing to lose but your brains.

Easter banquet

Lady Mayoress

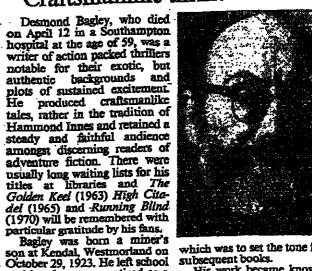
The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress gave the Easter banquet at the Mansion Jouse yuesterday in honour of the members of the Diplomatic Corps and their ladies. The speakers were the Lord Mayor, the Dontinican Ambassador and Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of and Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs. The guests included: The Lord President and Mrs Biffer ambesteders, high commissioners, charge of attales, apends, generals, alternam state of the composition of t

Birthdays today

Mrs Elaine Blond, 81; Professor Sir Robert Bradlaw, 78; Miss Julie Christie, 43; Sir Denis Follows, 75; Sir John Gielgud, CH, 79; Mr Ivor Guest, 63; Lord Hastings, 71; Major-General C. Lloyd, 77; Mr J. McLauchlan, 41; Mr Julian Lloyd Webber, 32; the Right Rev Michael Marshall, 47; Baroness Masham of Itton, 48; Mr P. G. A. Ramsay, 57; Professor J. M. Roberts, 55; the Ven Professor J. M. Roberta, 55; the Ven R. H. Roberts, 52; Mr Rod Steiger, 58; Mrs G. J. Warnock, 59; Baroness Wootton of Abinger, CH, 86.

Latest appointments Latest appointments include: Mr Robert Poniton, editor of the Northampton Chronicle & Echo. to

OBITUARY MR DESMOND BAGLEY Craftsmanlike thriller novelist



at 14 and was apprenticed as a printer's devil. His war was

spent unadventurously enough in the aircraft industry where he made Spitfire parts from 1940

Afterwards he determined to

remedy this inactivity by travel, and it was his subsequent

wanderings which provided the authenticity of setting for which

his novels were to be noted, and, as he claimed, the edu-

cation to enable him to write

had a variety of jobs there, as

coal miner and asbestos miner

before moving towards journa-

lism via a spell as a nightclub

photographer. In South Africa

he also married his wife, Joan,

slight contribution to his edu-

cation as he was obliged read

his way through it in his

to 1946.

them at all.

which was to set the tone for his subsequent books.

His work became known for its highly technical content and wide range of reference. Geology, shipbuilding, Mayan history, seismology, genetic engineering and computer science were all drafted into the service of the thriller novel

from his typewriter. After his second novel. High Citadel (1965) - a story of American travellers hijacked in the Andes and forced to improvise medieval weapons in the face of Communist inspired
the first went to South Africa,
country which made a return to Britain and eventually a country which made a considerable impression on him and provided him with a good deal of subsequent material. He produced a flow of successful produced a flow of successful and provided a flow of successful and produced a flow of successful and and area metals. novels and was reckoned, in time, to be one of the highest earning writers of fiction in the

world. Besides Africa, which he covered thoroughly, he had also travelled in the United States, Australasia, Antarctica and in almost every country in Europe which gave his work a wide range of backgrounds. He was a thoroughly professional writer and a credit to the genre he Success for Bagley did not chose. As his books suggest he was a man of many and varied interests which included music. photography and wine making. His chief recreation in more had heard a dozen years His chief recreation in more previously, about a hoard of recent years however was treasure which had been hidden provided by his computer originally acquired to help him edit his work - on which, chiefly, he played war games.

Bagley was a member of the
Crime Writers' Association, and

REAR-ADMIRAL B. C. DURANT

Rear-Admiral B. C. Durant, Ocean. Durant spent thirty CB, DSO, DSC, who died on hours in the water before being April 12 at the age of 72 was picked up, but was soon at sea formerly Chief of Staff Far East again as navigator of the aircraft an active war in which he was

a ship sunk under him. Bryan Cecil Durant was born on June 17, 1910 and entered that Durant showed his exper-the Royal Navy in 1929. He tise as a navigator when his specialized in navigation in skilful manoeuvring of the ship 1935 and after the outbreak of saved Victorious from destrucwar served in the destroyer tion from repeated attacks by minelaying operations off Axis- gained him the DSC.

occupied coasts. In 1940 he joined the 8-inch gun cruiser Dorsetshire, a ship which was to have an eventful career before succumbing to the bombs of Japanese dive-bombers. Dorsetshire had already sunk a German surface raider in the South Atlantic when she was drawn into the hunt for the German battleship Bismarck in the North Atlantic in May 1941. Durant navigated the ship during this operation which ended with Dorsetshire being ordered to close in and administer the coup de grace to the German ship after she had been reduced to a flaming wreck by torpedo bomber attacks and the shells of the British battleships King George V and Rodney. Three 2! inch tor-pedoes from Dorsetshire dis-

patched Bismarck to the bottom on May 26 after three days of pursuit and battle. in the following year however Dorsetshire was to suffer a similar fate herself when at-

tacked and sunk by Japanese

Station and after his retirement_carrier Victorious. After periods from the Royal Navy the first in the South Pacific and in Director of the Navy League. A northern waters operating navigation specialist he had had against German units in Norway, Victorious was sent to the present at the sinking of the Eastern Fleet for operations Bismarck and subsequently had against Sumatra and Java and finally, the Japanese mainland. It was during this last phase

of the Mystery Writers of

The end of the war was not to signal the end of active service for Durant, however, and he commanded the 4th Frigate Squadron during operations in the Korean War, for which he was awarded the DSO.

Later appointments included Director of the Operations Division, Admiralty, and Captain of the Fleet, Home Fleet, and he was finally Chief of Staff, Far East Station from 1961 to 1963 when he retired. He was ADC to the Queen in

After he retired he was appointed the first Director of the Navy League and held the post from 1964 to 1975. He was a Deputy Lieutenant for Greater London from 1970 to 1978.

He was twice married, first, in 1939 to Pamela, a daughter of Brigadier-General W W Seymour. She died in 1963 and he married, in 1967, Rachel, daughter of Colonel the Hon David Bruce. There were three daughters and one son (now deceased) of the first marriage.

dive bombers in the Indian DR HUGH REID

Dr Hugh Alistair Reid, OBE, designation of his unit in who died in the Royal Liver-Liverpool as the WHO Collabopool Hospital on April 10, at rative Centre for the Control of the age of 69, was one of the Antivenous in 1977.

world's leading authorities on Reid's major contribution to

snake bite. Reid qualified in Edinburgh medicine was in establishing a medical basis for treating officer during the war and saw action in North Africa before was based on the careful study taking part in the invasion of hundreds of cases, mericularity recorded and applyed Sicily and the Italian campaign.
He gained his parachute wings.
In 1948 he took up an appointment as specialist physappointment as specialist physician to the Iran Oil Company in Abadan, where he met his wife-to-be, Patricia, who was a

colonial medical service as consultant physician to the Government of Malaya, and it was while working at the General Hospital in Panang that he established his reputation as an authority on snake bite. He founded the Snake and Venom. Research Institute in Penang and was its first Director from 1961 to 1964.

He joined the staff of the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine in 1964 as the first Senior Lecturer (Technical Assistance) under the Porritt Scheme, and continued to work on the clinical and laboratory aspects of snake bite until his death, four years after his official retirement. His distinction in this field was recognised by the Redi Award of the International Society on Toxi-

Reid's major contribution to victims of snake bite. His work lously recorded and analysed with great clarity. There is no doubt that in addition to hundreds of people in the past, thousands in the future will owe their lives to Reid's work.

nursing sister there.

After Abadan, he joined the humour, who bore the pair and distress of his last illness with characteristic courage. He is survived by his wife and three daughters.

> Colonel Frederick Arthur Sudbury, OBE, who died on April 5 at the age of 78, was JP for Inner London from 1962 He was Colonel in charge of movements and transport in the 14th Army 1944-45, and after the war was a member of the Thames Conservancy Board 1958-65.

Mr Francis William Alfred Fairfax-Cholmeley, CBF, who died on April 7 at the age of 78 in Kirriemur, Angus, was a director of Barclays Bank 1957-73 and Chairman of Barclays nology in 1979, and by the Bank SA, France, 1968-70.

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THE ARTS

New Haven, Connecticut, is to New York what Oxford is to London - far enough away to be entirely its own place, close enough for easy access, and harbouring a major university.

When I first arrived, in September 1959. I took one look at the gothic buildings and thought I knew where I was Straight out of Oxford, I gave the Americans alpha-minus for a very decent shot at the real thing.

After a week or two my confidence began to falter. Things were not what they seemed - Yale was not an imitation Oxford, it only looked like one. I began to have the giddy feeling that no appearance could be trusted. The walls looked solid enough, but I was less and less sure they would support me if I risked leaning against them. It was the same with the language. I spoke English, the Americans spoke English, but there was often a baffling lack of communication. I do not think "culture shock" had yet been invented, but I had it badly. It took me a full six months really to know where I was, and by that time I was in Los Angeles, lost again, but lost in America this time, not in a British

Returning to New Haven in January 1983, I soon felt giddy again. This time I was there to attend rehearsals of my play Another Country at the Long Wharf Theatre, which is next to a large wholesale meat business, some distance from the ivied calm of Yale. It is also a long way from Shaftesbury Avenue, where the play was running at the Queen's Theatre and coming up to its first anniversary despite a drizzle of journalistic articles about the death of the West End. For reasons no one quite understood, the play seemed to have caught the imagination of the young, some of whom came to see it

The composer Alexander

Zemlinsky, supporter (and

brother-in-law) of

Schoenberg, remains one of

the strange 'unknowns' of

twentieth-century music.

But in Germany, at least,

there are strong signs of revival.

Stephen Pettitt reports

Natural heir

to a great musical

tradition

Julian Mitchell's Another Country, for all the play's success in Britain, has struck few comparable chords in America: its author (right) tells ruefully of his struggle for recognition

Transatlantic tribulations

dressed as the characters. We even cricket bat, but then could not find it, "expel", were the first to go. They Oxford and Eton.

again confident as I arrived in Connecticut. The audience had been softened up, I was told, by a steady diet of British television -Brideshead, Tinker Tailor, To Serve Them All My Days. Even more important, there was already an excellent production of Simon Grey's Quartermaine's Terms packing them in at the Long Wharf's Second Stage. The British educational system was

no longer the mystery it once was. Still, there were problems. For the dormitory scene we needed iron bedsteads, and none sufficiently uncomfortable could be found in all America. RAF beds were imported from Britain. The director, John Tillinger, was an Old Stoic. He phoned me shortly before I left to say I might have to bring corps uniforms over with me. Luckily some were discovered in California, though the puttees certainly were not regulation. Yale thought it could lend us a

had a few giggling groupies, and so we bought one in New York. It performances were coming on at was not much use, really - the actor whose prop it was never grasped the So - though the play is set in an basic elements of the forward English public school in the 1930s, a defensive prod, and since there are setting not readily available to no indoor nets in America I was American audiences - I was once imable to give him the benefit of my coaching. Another very difficult prop to find in Reagan's America, not surprisingly, was a bust of Lenin, but we had had a hard time finding one of those in Thatcher's England. Then there was the question of the accents. No one in the all-American cast sounded precisely right to me but as it turned out they all sounded English

> The real difficulties arose over public school language and life. The idea of older boys being allowed to beat younger ones remained incredible to American audiences. The house system was extremely baffling, and the plethors of cups for different activities caused much confusion. As for the difference between house and school prefects - that remained a

source of utter mystery. I did my best to Americanize the public school slang. My own inventions, such as "sunker" for

wre followed by such arcane references as Haig, French, Curzon, Milner, Bournemouth, Bedales and Dartington Hall. "Toad-in-the-hole" was allowed to stay, on the grounds that it might get a laugh, but of "frigging" the less said the better. "Prep" proved particularly hard to translate, since boarding schools are so rare in America, and "homework" is not the same thing at all Eventually we settled weakly for "evening work" "Conking out" had to go, "white feathers" had to be explained, but to "creep down to Cromer" was kept in, and always got a laugh either for onomatomers or laugh, either for onomatopoeia or sheer British insolence. The audiences always langhed too, at Queen Elizabeth I's troubles with her Puritans - but then perhaps some of

The first preview was a disaster. (The girl next to me left rapidly at the interval.) But, with the help of Anglo-American friends and their children more translation was attempted, and later audiences seemed to understand more or less what the play was about. The direction was good, the cast was good, the stage manager was the best I had ever come across anywhere -

them were their descendants.

confidence grew. New York producers prowled around. It was all up to the New York Times.

The power of the NYT over the American theatre is not quite credible to Englishmen who visit occasionally. Yet the theatre critic. by whom one lives or dies, himself counts for very little: if he leaves the paper his influence wanes. Partly it is the cowardice of producers who have not fought strongly enough against one paper's power. But, whatever the reasons, a bad notice from the NYT often means that producers do not bother to return your calls. Whereas in Britian we hate all critics, more or less impartially, theatre people in America tend to reserve most of their venom for the NYT man: his impending visit gives everyone the most appalling nerves and the wait for the review to appear is intermi-nable (no overnight reviews for New

Unfortunately this overwhelmingly important man had already seen my play in London and not liked it. The suspense was terrible. Walking across New Haven's famous Green - a large open space dominated by a row of three splendid

churches - I came across what looked like a man reading the New York Times. On closer inspection, he was a sculpture, and he was reading the Arts Pages. Not far away was another extremely lifelike sculpture, this time of a man with an umbrella hailing a cab. This second sculpture was called 'Does this mean it's over? Excuse me Taxi!" To me it was obvious that the second man was a producer who

a moment before was sitting next to the first man, reading the review of my play. It had not been kind. He would not be returning our calls next The sculptures proved all too

prophetic. The man from the NYT disliked the play at even greater length than he had in London, and added insult to injury by saying how much better the American production was. I was in Newport Rhode Island, when I read the death sentence, and spent the day glowering at the summer palaces of the very, very rich. Passing the gate of Klaus von Bulow, I thought how typically anti-social of the rich it was only to attempt their murders against their nearest and dearest, when there were so many people crying out to be bumped off all over New York.

Plays have lives of their own. however, long after reviews and loathing of reviewers are forgotten. The Long Wharf production has twice almost reached New York in spite of the NYT. We hope to start shooting the film in July. When I heard of the second near-miss I was in Wengen, consulting with the film director in pouring rain. The New York production was all on and off in day. No one can say the American theatre is not exciting. But I am giving my play the full six months I needed myself to adapt to transatlantic conditions.

acknowledged the first approach

of middle age by going into mauve satin and amethysts, and

a fashionable headdress whose

feather seems just as likely to

take flight as her own uncontrollable verbal fancy.

cry of "Ods wrinkles!" gives the game away) but it is stimulating

suggesting a comic ancestry for

the character, not in Resto-

ration comedy's grotesque old women, but its affected ladies

like Melantha in Marriage-à-la-

Mode. learning new words

French in her case) every day

before breakfast. It is also unanswerably funny: Miss McEwan's crisp bass cuts deliciously through the lines

and it soon becomes an

anticipated pleasure to watch

her collecting her fine features

into a Joshua Reynolds com-

Other happy surprises in-clude Niall Buggy as Sir Lucius

thundering solecism.

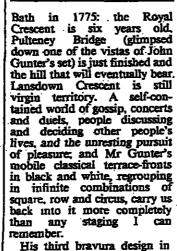
posure before uttering another

This defies the text (Acres's

Theatre

Agreeable toughness in Sheridan's wit

The Rivals Olivier



succession (after Guys and Dolls and Lorenzaccio) for the Olivier Theatre, it makes light of this vast stage's notorious difficulties, apparently by perceiving the completing half of a circle in its signatic. forestage and then production, though it has a breathless feeling and with time to think would shed the little air it retains of a chocolate-boxy H. M. Tennent revival, has a breadth and completeness which Mr Gunter's design suits perfectly. It also has an agreeable toughness which shows how much Sheridan's wit looks not backwards to Congreve but forwards to the robust humour of Boucicault, Dickens and Gilbert.

The Absolutes father and son, in the persons of Michael Hordern and Patrick Ryecart. (and was it the gifted Mr Gainsborough who did that

portrait of them half-hidden in and pineapples that fertilize gigantic. forestage and then the passage?), arrive in a society some of Mrs Malaprop's ima-finding its prototype in Bath's that Sheridan, who had eloped architecture. And Peter Wood's from it with an heiress only a unseen beneath parental plans. him down"

Ryecart's wit and spirit could

speaks for a whole childhood of what he describes as "Jack, do this - if he demurred, I knocked

Advised to clap the unwisely tour de force you would hope for loving Lydia under lock - "plaguy gruff", says Jack, and and key, Mrs Malaprop ominously characterizes the suitor Beverley as "an ensign whom nobody knows anything of", and Sheridan, who knew what a blank reception from self-appointed judges of acceptability was like, must have written that daughter-in-law, and in the with a wry smile. Geraldine process of a fruit breakfast too, McEwan plays Malaprop as a thus furnishing Mr Wood with a still-attractive femme savante.

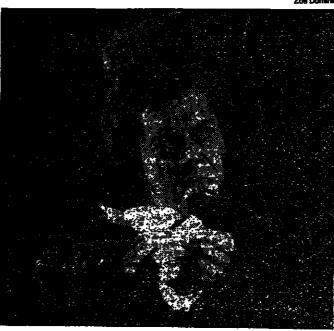
The opposing qualities of doubts make him a great comic Rome and Egypt are brought and austere, with robes like out in the lesser roles. The Petherbridge's severely Scottish protective attitude of Cleopa- gentleman makes a seldomtra's maids towards the unhappy Eunuch, who is all too aware in the sensual atmos phere of what he has missed, and the Eunuch in turn hears of Antony's marriage, all silver changeability that has scene beginning as soon as the reflect a pervading female cluded other actresses. In previous scene fades, as in a influence. Octavius's court is midflight she slides from laugh- film. Changes of mood are staunchly masculine, emotions

acting is starkly exposed. I.was (Clive Wood) fall into an Gambon's Antony, whose arro-gance and bluster skated over male and female finally meet in transferred from the Other the emotions; his despair at the Octavius's defeat of Egypt. If Place, allows an unimpeded end was emphatic but uncon- Antony's death leaves one view of the action. He has vincing More involving was the unmoved, Cleopatra's last

through orgiastic drinking par-

ties, where, in the heat of the

Clare Colvin



Tim Curry: traly inspired casting

few years previously, knew too well: a marriage-market where youthful enterprise mines away Sir Michael gives us the comic tour de force you would hope for that seems a mild description for this martyr to the gout, with whom only someone of Mr

manage to deal. He may melt into ecstasies over the charms of his future

characteristic visual image her verbal pretension fatally which echoes the orange trees undermined by a ferninine

and tragic character, Edward explored corner of the play shine with life.

Antony and Cleopatra

The Pit

undoubtedly Helen Mirren's cloak.

evening She has captured the Thus the play moves unimcomplete person, lighthearted the stage in darkness. yet with depths of feeling, devious and straightforwardly achievement.

Adrian Noble's production, psychology is like that of a Mahier symphony. It represents extravagant gold and her hand- deserting a friend.

maidens are in multicoloured silk. The Romans are functional uniforms. The renegade Antony wears red leather jerkin and trousers, covered when we first From the outset, this is see him by a glittering Egyptian

infinite variety of Cleopatra's peded by scene-changes in a comforting Cleopatra when she moods and achieves the quick- swift continuous whole, another ter to anger to playfulness with stressed by Leo Leibovici's expressed in backslapping not a hint of a gear change. The lighting that focuses at times on friendship, and release gained many facets add up to a one character, leaving the rest of Against this blackness, the moment, Antony and Pompeius

courageous. It is a tremendous less than happy with Michael almost homosexual clinch. Place, allows an unimpeded end was emphatic but unconleaving a bare black stage on barbus of the depths of his two levels. Nadine Baylis's betrayal of Antony. The old that leap from the evecatching costumes provide the commen- soldier's pragmatism is over- early promise to being an tary on the differences between taken by the gut feeling that actress of considerable depth. East and West. Cleopatra wears nothing but death can exonerate

Concert

The only escape from this came

made unpleasantly military.

Dame Janet was obliged to put

her chin in the air and adopt the

posture and vocal style of an

old-fashioned Valkyrie, which

Sometimes it can be advis-

able to leave well alone, as Mr

Weller demonstrated in a

commitment

RPO/Weller

body could care so much about curiously come-day-go-day per-

the ecstatic nothingnesses that formance of Mahler's Fifth Symphony. There was no plan Mathilde Wesendonck was penning for her adored Richard to it, no reason why one thing Mr. Weller compounded the should follow another, and the excess. The final postlude massively diverse second moveseemed as if it was never going ment was a structural mess. The to end, and elsewhere the RPO's Adagietto was also unlucky in falling victim to slowness again: deficiencies in tone and atogetherness were unfortunately it became a death trap to the

magnified by the slow motion. strings. This disorganized performin the fourth song, with its ance happened on some good thrusting Ring themes, here things caustically cheap banjo effects in the middle of the giant scherzo, made the more telling. by someone in the audience dropping silver at the time. It was generally a performance that favoured the outposts of the orchestra, horns and solo trumpet as well as double basses, but the centre was rarely

touched.

Paul Griffiths

Television Romantic

chill

The polar regions have always been a source of romance for those who have never visited them, and Shackleton (BBC 2) will be a great success with armchair explorers. It began as no doubt it means to go on, with various scarred and burnished visages looming out of the Antarctic mists like transplanted Yeti. The ice cracks with the sound of thunder, and impedes the Discovery with a orce "stronger than human resolution".

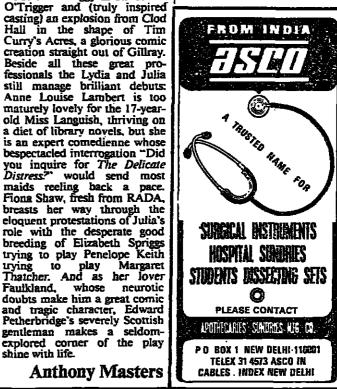
But, since this is drama rather than documentary. 'human resolution" becomes the theme as soon as we revert to warm and dry land. In last Scott and Shackleton fight over their rights to the South Pole as if the whole continent were a stamping ground designed soley for the benefit of ambitious British explorers. Perhaps they wanted to play polo on it.
Scott (Neil Stacy) is por-

trayed as a calculating careerist who has no objection to distorting the truth in order to enshrine himself as a hero; and f, as someone says, these men carry a piece of Antarctica in their hearts, in Scott's case it seems wholly to have replaced that less than vital organ. Shackleton (David Schofield). or "Shackles" as he is known to an engaging and volatile figure for whom the challenge and the adventure are more important than any rewards.

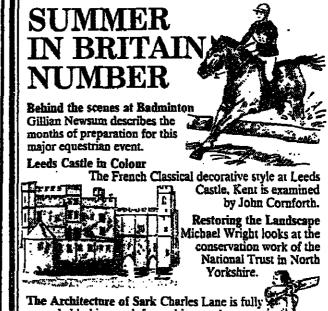
Christopher Rallings's script however, reverts at crucial moments to the tone of "derring do films of the Forties and Fifties - no doubt in deference to the atavism involved in reconstructing British heroics of his kind. There were so many stiff upper lips that one hardly noticed anything else, even if the cold cracked them from

time to time. The obvious analogy, of course, is between the polar expeditions of the early twentieth century and the contempor-ary exploits of Russian or American astronauts - within a year or two, we will be watching Glenn if not Gagarin. Despite the occasional longeur, though. Mr Rallings has managed to concentrate, or simplify, historical events so that they form a sufficiently dramatic pattern. And of course the landscape helps: at the end of last night's episode the great ice barrier loomed like a dream of death.

Peter Ackroyd



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Lithograph of Zemlinsky Staatsoper bring to Edinburgh the two one-act operas by Alexander Zemlinsky, Eine Florentinische Tragodie and Day Zwerg. In the company's home city Zemlinsky's last complete opera, Der Kreidek-ters, finished in 1932, is in repertory; and at the same time a production of the much earlier Eine Florentinische Tragodie, written in 1916, can be found further south, in Hanover's imposing Niedersachsische Staatstheater. These events, together with the availability of the string quartets and a few other works on record, are signs that a Zemlinsky revival in Germany is in full swing. On

long overdue. How have we managed to everlook such extraordinary music for so long? Partly it must re because the serialism cultivated by the three "New Viennese" giants has commanded the attention of commentators. Though just as sky did not follow their fashion. Indeed he followed no fashion at all, although as a keen promoter of particularly the music of Schoenberg (who married Zemlinsky's sister Mathilde in 1901) he actively stimulated contemporary metal ring (actually an ellipse) trends. Nevertheless he was a fixed around the proscent natural heir to the Austro-German musical line. In his student days he came under the exercises a sort of wisdom of a little later that of Mahler, who who, Haitang or Yū-Pei, is the supported his cause and con-real mother of a boy-child - his direct influence of Brahms, and ducted the first performance of own, as it proves to be. This in his second opera, Es war cinnul, in Vienna in 1900.

His own prowess was readily acknowledged by Schoenberg.
Webent do the of whom he taught and Berg, who famously quotes from Zemlinsky's Lyric rough justice. The circle is seen Symphony in his own Lyric Suite. But the natural pastures for his expression were those in which Richard Strauss, after Salome and Elektra, felt so uncomfortable, the fields of tonality at its breaking point Although the surface style of much of his music, and certainly Der Kreidekreis, varies wildly, underneath lies a consistent and strong personality. One might expect as much from as they ascended the steps to Renate Behle artfully elicited living, like Mahler, from conducting, and from a Jew obliged rather ugly climax to the to endure the tranma of fleeing evening. Fran Tschang, Haito America, where in 1942 he died. This was a move which also took away his creative will.

Der Kreidekreis is probably oriental setting, à la Turandot. judge Techu-Tschu (Ernst-Theo and dramatically.

opera). But most significantly the opera continually raises moral and social questions. Although Haitang and Pao, who has earlier more or less raped press and Emperor, he clearly represents something tyranni-cal, while all the way through she is mercilessly exploited. Even if we are to imagine the the evidence of one's ears, it is comple living happily ever after

we are obliged to remember the price, that of humanity itself, that has been paid.

Herbert Wernicke's production for Hamburg updates the original setting to the of Habitat in the Venetian blinds and paper lampshades. The latter of course were intended to reflect the symbol of the chalk circle, and rather naively in one scene so does a large round goldfish bowl (populated) and the full moon without. There is also a huge

metal ring (actually an ellipse) and studded with light-bulbs. Within the circle itself Pao Solomon in order to determine turn decides which of the two is the murderess of Yu-Pei's husband, Ma, an odious character who buys Haitang in Tong's "teahouse" but later reforms before he receives his rather

includes the concepts of both entrapment and inevitable consequence. and fearsome authority, although the use of microphones their thrones at the end was a tang's mother, was imbued with rich pathos through the power-

ful contratto of Olive Friedricks, while the roles of Tong (Peter Hange), Ma (Guillenno the most extentic of all Zemin. Sarabia). Yn-Pei (Celestine ducting put everything in its sky's works. It has estensibly an Casaniera) and the corrupt proper place, both musically

This summer the Hamburg It is sometimes sleazy, like Richter) were all positively and Weill's Threepenny Opera aprly characterized. Russell (Zemlinsky conducted the Smythe, as Tschang-Ling, Hai-première of Mahagonny in tang's revolutionary brother, Berlin in the early 1930s), was rendered mute by a cold And in Haitang, the nominal and so Richard Salter gamely heroine, are to be found many tackled the part from the pit elements of the character of whilst the former mimed. The Lulu (Zemlinsky was to decline conductor, Adam Fischer, an invitation to complete Berg's paced the drama well, almost making sense of the decision to play the three acts without a break, while the Philharmonische Staatsorchester rose magnificently to the demands of his bride-to-be, become Em- a score in which at one moment the music is as dry as Stravinsky, the next as luscious as early Schoenberg. English audiences ought to be given the

chance to hear it. . Meanwhile in Hanover the resident company are revealing another, more traditionallybased, side of Zemlinsky. Eine Florentinische Tragodie, which like Der Zwerg is taken from a short story by Oscar Wilde, is Germany of the 1930s, apart an unequivocal mix of Strauss from what looked like a touch and Mahler. Although the plot is simple it deals in complexities, principally with the neuroses of Simone, who discovers his wife in a clinch with his best friend. Zemlinsky's manner here is to submit his characters mercilessly to the most harrowing of human circumstances. Once more the woman, like Lulu, is the innocent victim, and she spends most of the opera looking on powerlessly as her husband proceeds inexorably to the murder of her lover. As torrid as Salome, yet with touches of Ein Heldenleben too, the work's

a crisis of what could be a single identity. Heinz-Jürgen Demitz, as Simone, coped outstandingly well with the tortuous demands of his ever-changing role, sustaining a formidable momentum towards the denouement. Hans-Dieter Bader as Guido Bardi, the intruding yet The singing was heard with miraculous clarity through Florence, showed occasional Zemlinsky's lavish but careful scoring. Beatrice Niehoff and Werner Götz as Haitang and evance of his aristocratic pos-Pao portrayed their parts ition, and the revelation of respectively with helplessness prince as man as the opera progressed, was unterly convincing. As the unfortunate Bianca, our sympathy. Hans-Peter Lehmann's production was effectively straightforward and

authentically Florentine in appearance; and, even if the

Hanover orchestra could not

quite match their Hamburg

nvals. Robert Maxym's con-

Festival Hall

Even Dame Janet Baker, then has at least one foot made of clay. She began Wagner's Wesendonck Lieder on Tuesday with an uncertainty that was quite astonishing in her, with maladjusted tone and the odd flatness that did not improve for being so defiantly sustained. Her answer to the problem seemed to be an extra injection of feeling, and the awkwardness was quickly overcome, but she was at less than a high level of at least gave her a persona to emotional intensity and became acreen off the suffering emotional intensity and became distinctly uncomfortable especially in the second and fifth songs. It was simply impossible to credit that anyint. Gross only Red. Price Ch'ge Yield Yield

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MARKET REPORT • by Michael Clark I

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industry. Yesterday, the shares held steady at 416p - only 4p short of the year's high - after a significant upgrading of profits by the influential Scottish brokers Wood, Mackenzie.

First quarter figures, due on April 28, are expected to show pretax profits up from £62m to £90m. Analyst Mr Jim Cook, at Wood, Mackenzie, has dramati-cally upgraded his earlier forecast by £102m to £462m for the full year, compared with £497m last year. However, for 1984 he is looking for a record-breaking £662m. The previous best of £627m was achieved in

profits should increase from £138m to nearer £200m. Losses from the petrochemical side will f138m to nearer £200m. Losses down at 687.1.

Gilts encountered renewed already spent £1.3m of its cash be reduced to under £100m against earlier forecasts of longs ahead of dealings in the new tap Exchequer 10½ per cent pharmaceutical company.

Meanwhile, the Germans 1989 today. But dealers continue to push up price of reckoned that the Bank of added another 1p to the

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Alfa-Laval, the Swedish engingovernment borrowings eering company, is placing up to £1,000m above earlier esti800,000 shares in Britain to mates. raise about £17.5m to fund more overseas trade.

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the England had received appliweaker pound against the cations worth only between Deutschemark should also help. £250m and £500m for the All ICT's European profits are £1,000m of stock on offer.

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Shares of Fisons slipped 3p to 605p after news that 94.52 per cent of the 7.4 million extra shares offered by way of a rights Mr Cook expects a much improved contribution from the pharmaceutical side, where week's record-breaking run. The shares in the market at 590p to

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According to broker Statham systems, has also forecast a loss Duff Stoop, in its latest review of the construction industry, there shares tumbled 22p to 264p. According to broker Statham they stoop, in its talest review of the construction industry, there is a backlog of renewal and maintenance of main roads, sewers and public-sector buildings. As a result, it recommends purchase of Brickhouse Dudley, unchanged at 60p, and Y J Lovell, 2p up at 190p. Investors should also take up their rights should also take up their rights entitlement on John Mowlem, up 2p at 242p.

Mellius to fork out extra cash to continue with the group's rejuvenation. The group's issuing 619,000 shares at 100p on the basis of one-for-six to raise £545,000. The issue has

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been underwritten by brokers Laing & Cruikshank and the Mellins directors. The money will be used to reduce the group's debt. The shares closed 13p higher at 164p.

Also on the cash raising trail was Immediate Business Systems. The group is hoping to raise £2.52m by way of a rights issue of 1.35 million at 198p on the basis of one-for-four, Broker Margetts & Addenbrooke East, Newton, have underwritten the deal. The group, which makes and markets immediate billing

Little Arlen Electrical jumped 18p to 275p on hopes that Mr Arthur Levy, chairman, will return from the Hanover trade fair, in Germany, today, weighed under with orders for his new fluorescent light starter

Also in electricals, BICC slipped 8p to 235p after a lunch with brokers. But Benn Bros, the publishers, advanced 25p to level, the group is valued at just above £10m.

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City Comment

How are

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It is an arresting sign of the times that Sandi Ara-

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about 9 per cent of gross domestic product. Com-

pare this with 3½ per cent in Britain. The collapse in

oil prices and consumption

also means that the king-

dom is likely to incur a

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King Fabd told the

spending in the fiscal year

which starts tomorrow

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year, against revenues of

kingdom was prudently balancing its budget and

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crucial decision has been

made at the highest politi-

cal level not to reduce the

The government cannot

afford to do this, for

growth rate.

Only two years ago the

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City Editor Anthony Hilton

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STOCK EXCHANGES

FT Index: 687.1 down 0.6 FT Gilts: 82.24 down 0.25 FT All Share: 433.02 dow

Bargains: 23,274 Tring Hall USM Index: 170.5 down 0.2 Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Average 8480.44 up 11.81 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index

1057.30 up 4.90 New York: Dow Jones Aver age (latest) 1150.74 up 5.42

CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE Sterling \$1.5365 down 50pts index 82.8 up 0.8 FrF 11.2225 Yen 366.50 Dollar Index 122.4 up 0.3 DM 2.4375 up 140pts

Gold \$429.50 down \$2.75 NEW YORK LATEST **Sterling \$1.5360**

INTEREST RATES

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PRICE CHANGES

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Economic statistics; UK banks' assets and llabilities and the money stock (mid March), London dollar and sterling certificates of deposit (mid March).

Maxwell ready to bid for Cope Mr Robert Maxwell is said to

be ready to bid 70p for Cope Allman International which would top the Dowable consortium's 60p bid by 10p. A 70p offer would value Cope at £27.7m.
The bid would come through

Hollis Bros & ESA which holds more than 7 per cent of Cope's shares and is 85 per cent owned by Pergammon Press, Mr Maxwell's private company. Last night Mr Michael Doherty. Cope's chief executive, said the board had been approached last Friday be Mr Maxwell but no price had been discussed.

The Cope board meets on Monday and reports say it will recomend an offer from Mr Maxwell, But Mr Doberty said it remained Cope's aim to stay independent and it was not looking for a white knight.

● fim TAKEOVER: Lex Service Group, which is best known as a car and commercial distributors, yesterday strengelectronic componenet distri-Holdings, an unquoted British holding company. The takeover was funded by placing 6.6 million Lex shares on the stock market at 231p each.

 UDS CIRCULAR: Directors of UDS which recommend ranges experiment. Rapid in payments deficit is expected to sources, so the recovery was ed the lower Bassishaw hid flation and a yawning balance of improve only modestly, despite short-lived and the external deficit climbed. Rising wage payments as y they weighed the government a more restrictive economic course which will before the latest devaluation ment measures on the minimum against price in reaching their inhibit growth and increase within the European Monetary meaning their inhibit growth and increase within the European Monetary mum wage, work sharing and decision. Their duties under the latest devaluation.

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The distock for the French recovery since the OECD last

Investment The Dow passes record by 5 points

New York (AP-Dow Jones) --Wall Street stocks held their carly gain yesterday. The Dow Jones industrial average rose about 5 points at

1150 - solidly over the record closing high of 1145.90 set on Advancing issues led declines by nearly a two-to-one margin and trade continued heavy.

International Business Ma-Motors 60 up 1/2; General Electric 107½ off 1/2; American Telephone and Telegraph 64½ up 1/2; International Paper 537½ up 1/2; Eastman Kodak 81 up 3/2;

Excom 32½ up ¼ Minnesota Mining 77½ unchanged; Atlan-tic Richfield 44 up ½ and Merck 83½ up ½.

Motorola was up 1½ to 107½.

Teledyne up 2½ to 148½. FlexiVan down 1½ at 24½. Comsat
down ½ at 67; Whiripool up 1. to 514. General Mills down is at 544. Lockheed down is at 106 and General Dynamics up

14 at 441/2. Mr William Lefvre, analyst at Purcell Graham, said: "Despite all the fears about a sputtering in the economy the recovery is for real. It's healthy and looking even better than the Administ-ration has been forecasting. Public borrowing may be £1,000m over Budget forecasts

Bank of England signals go-ahead for half-point cut in base rates

base leading rates, and a cut ing monetary control. from 100 to 10 per cent is The message to the markets from 1016 to 10 per cent is

expected today. has thus been to "cool it". But
But new official figures the acceptance by British
suggest that public borrowing in National Oil Corporation's the 1982-83 financial year may customers of the latest price cut have been £1,000m higher than and Tuesday's call by Mr Paul forecast in the Budget, reinforc- Volcker, Chairman of the ing the widely held view that United States Federal Reserve,

After more than a week of holding the line on interest rates against City pressure for a reduction, the Bank of England yesterday trimmed its key money market dealing rates by

np to 4 percentage point. clarify its interest. This is a clear signal to the rate policies. banks that a base rate cut is now in order, and it is likely to be Civil Service Select Committee reinforced by a further trim said in a report on the Budget ming of dealing rates today if that three essential conditions the banks do not move first.

The authorities have been anxious to temper what they

regard as the markets' over-

enthusiastic rush to lower rates single most important brake on as sterling bounced back once investment expenditure, would fears of an oil price collapse need to continue on their They believe that rates may domestic and international not be able to fall much further action would be needed to meet

The Bank of England yester- without putting sterling under to give the go-shead for a day gave the green light to the pressure in a still-volatile modest interest tate reduction.

The pound slipped half a cent of the gilt market. The new medium tap stock was, as a great a stronger dollar verter.

has thus been to "cool it". But other leading currencies such as £1,000m on offer being taken the Deutsche mark.

Its trade-weighted index gained 0.8 to 82.8, its highest level for nearly three months. A half-point cut in bank base rates has aiready been more or less the Government's borrowing for lower American interest discounted by the foreign target for 1983-84 is over- rates has encouraged Whitehall exchange markets.

to cheer the gilt market. The ago of £11,257m. against a stronger dollar yester-day to \$1.5365, but rose against only a third to a half of the notoriously unreliable because

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MPs criticize 'unclear' fiscal policy

The Government was critically deterioration in clarify its interest and exchange rate nolicies.

The Government was critically further deterioration in change rate movements with the international lending, and it change rate movements with the most of maintain the improved competitive poseum plansized too frequently that the level of sterling has a major improved on this economy and the impact on this economy and the The all-party committee agreed that the Treasury had movements we have witness failed to spell out any coherent office, have far more important since the Government entered nge rate movements. Mr

> fiscal adjustment. "The potential benefit to industry from each 1 per cent fall in the currency is worth up to £1,000m, provided costs can be controlled.

Interest rate optimism failed Budget estimate only a month

government departments and local authorities tend to bunch Gilt prices fell on unease over spending in the final month to soak up any spare cash.

But the rush to spend last month has caught the Government by surprise, with central government alone paying out about £1,300m more in March than expected on goods and

As a result, public sector borrowing in 1982-83 is likely to be £1,000m or so higher than the £7,500m forecast in the Budget. And last month's spree, which has almost eliminated the expected shortfall on departmental spending, casts doubt on this year's public borrowing forecast of £8,000m.

The 1983-84 forecast builds in a £1,600m allowance for shortfall. But if departments are becoming cleverer at spending tivity that a £1,000m or £2,000m right up to their permitted cash limits this may now not materialize, especially since rising inflation later this year is likely to put a squeeze on

political reasons, but an economic argument can be made as well. The Saudis are presumably taking the view that oil prices and demand will pick up next year. Higher world economic growth forecasts support the case.

But it is far from clear how the Saudis propose to fund their deficit.

Saudi Arabia has no domestic capital market worthy of the name, so the deficit will presumably be financed either by external borrowing, or drawing on foreign reserves, or both. But \$10,000m is a fair

proportion of the kingdom's extternal assets of about \$160,000m, and withdrawal of that amount could cause some concern among banks and security markets.

It is likely, therefore, that this year we shall witness the extraordinary sight of Saudi Arabia, the world's biggest oil exporter, borrowing on international markets.

MPs seek JBE 'sale' statement

Sir John Mayhew-Sanders the chairman of John Brown, is to be asked by two Scottish Labour MPs today to make a quarrel among Fleet Street public statement on the future of the company's turbine division, John Brown Engineering, after extensive rumours that it is to be sold off.

Mr Hugh McCartney, Dum bartonshire Central, and Mr Andrew McMahon, (Glasgow, Govan), say they have infor-mation that suggests John Brown's board is considering selling off JBE for around £50m to off set projected overall losses for the company of around £9m this year. John Brown's total debts are estimated at about £40m.

Mr McCartney said yesterday: "There is something happening but it's happening at the highesat level. I have spoken to Mr Graham Strachan, the managing director of JBE. He knows there is something going on, but he's as much in the dark as I am". Mr McMahon said: "It's not fair to McMahon said: "It's not fair to of the company. Their 41 per the workforce who are very cent share is held through the much aware of this situation. Newspaper Publishers Associ-The company must make a tatement either way".

Hawker Siddelely, GEC and Northern Engineering Industries have all been named as being interested in JBE, Al though Hawker Siddeley has confirmed it has "looked at" JBE, it declined to comment whether it would be making an offer, as did GEC.

Best placed to acquire TBE is Northern Industries, whose profits rose last year from £33m to £39.5m. But Mr Duncan McDonald, chairman, said: "We have had no contact whatsoever with John Brown".-

JBE made a trading profit last year of £5m and is expected to be in the black again this year. This month it clinched a £8.5m turbine order, its 14th from the Soviet Union.



Profit doubles to £36m at Reuters

Reuters yesterday announced profits that had more than doubled to £36.5m. Ownership of the news and financial information agency has been the cause of an extraordinary newspaper proprietors. Reuters, whose fortunes have

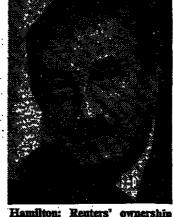
been transformed in recent years by its move into supplying computer-based financial information to banks and dealers around the world; boosted operating profits from £16.4m to £36.5m in 1982. Much of this rise reflected better profit margins although a strong sales performance sill helped to rush up revenues by 30 per cent to

Owned mainly by the provincial and national press, Reuters, chaired by Sir Denis Hamilton, is raising the dividend to shareholders by 200 per cent. Last year it paid a £1.96m dividend, equivalent to 14 per cent, of 1981 after tax profits. This year it is paying £5.68m or 17 per cent of net profits.

The increased payout is sure

to raise the tempo of the argument who owns how much ation but there is dispute over how this should be allocated among the Fleet Street com-

The argument could be



would need to be met if the Chancellor's limited recovery was to be achieved.

în dispute

settled at meetings planned during the next few weeks. Mr J E Lepage, director of the association, said yesterday:
"One would hope the matter association. will be resolved within the next three to four weeks."

Mr Glen Renfiew, managing director of Reuters, said: "The 1982 results confirm the promise of 1981. Exchange rate movements helped us a little, but most of the improvement in the figures was solidly based on control. We continued to cope well with the competition." Reuters' profits have soared

from £3.9m in 1980 and another big rise in profits is expected in the current year.

£1.1m mail order loss at Empire

Empire Stores (Bradford) Year to 29.1.83 Team 29.1.33
Pretax loss £1.1m (profit £2.4m
Stated earnings 1.47p (5.81p)
Turnover £142m (£139m)
Net dividend 0.1p (£.55p) Share price 68p, up 4p Dividend payable 30.6.83

Like the other two mail orde companies which have recently reported their figures, Empire to £13.5m by much improved Stores (Bradford) took a ham-underwriting results in the mering in 1982-83 as recession second half. hit its customers' spending

than expected and Mr John Gratwick, the chairman, is underwriting in the second.
bullish about the current year Motor claims were also

Claim fall lifts Pearl by 17 pc

Pearl Assurance Year to 31.12.82

Pearl Assurance was helped to 17 per cent rise in net profits underwriting results in the

At the half-way stage Pearl's net profits were down by nearly But unlike Freemans and a tenth. But the property Grattan the experience in the account in Britain, which was second half was much better badly hit by weather claims in than expected and Mr John the first half, broke even on

even though there could still be in the second half, helped by the a small first-half loss. The City had expected much transfer to strengthen the claims worse figures after Grattan's reserve. For the whole of last poor results last week and scaled the expected loss up to \$2.5m from £2m. But the The stock market welcomed second half profit of £838,000 both the results and the 24 per Mayhew-Sanders: facing unexpectedly offset the first half cent increase in the final

Year to 31.12.82

Net profit £13.5m (£11.5m)

Net finat dividend 18p, making 27.5p (23p)

Share price 621p, up 23p. Yield Dividend payable 15.6.83

Motor claims were also down

OECD says France may fall behind in upturn

Cost of Mitterrand experiment

could usher in a prosperous new terms of activity and employeconomic order, is in danger of ment", the OECD says. Econthened its presence in the being left behind by inter- omic output is expected to be bution business with the the latest survey on the French f15.3m acquistion of Jermyn economy by the Paris-based economy by the Paris-based weak u Organisation of Economic 1984. Cooperation and Development Uner yesterday.
The OECD economists de-

liver a grim verdict on the first year "after marking time temrwo years of President Mitte-rand's experiment. Rapid in-1980 Companies Act are out. These disappointing results sures amounced by President lined in a circular to share have arisen partly from more Mittenand afterwards. But on

France, which hoped to show economy over the next 18 looked at the world outlook in the world how socialist policies months is not encouraging in December. The OECD is highly crinical

national recovery, according to "all but flat" in 1983 after 1.5 though it concedes that these -per cent growth last year, with a have checked the recessionary weak upturn in the first half of trend which began in mid-1980 Unemployment is expected ment total. to worsen by 150,000 to 200,000 It says the stimulus to between now and early next demand through household

the Mitterand government and stabilised the unemploy-

spending was satisfied more by porarily. And the balance of imports than from domesti

The OECD warns that if the trade account-improves more slowly than expected, shortterm policy might have to

More talks called at Harrods By Jeremy Warner

There was a new development yesterday in the row between the main House of Fraser board and Lontho the company's largest shareholder, on whether Harrods, the Knightsbridge store, should be split from the rest of the group. House of Fraser has refused a

Edward du Cann, Conservative

chairman of the committee, said:

"It is very important that people know what government policies are. Here is an unknow area; the

House of Commons ought to

request by Lonhro representa-tives on its board that a separate motion calling for a demerger of Harrods be put to a shareholders' meeting on May 6 Lonhro, has requisitioned a separate meeting to consider its proposal. Fraser directors declined to say whether this would be held in tandem with the meeting called to pass their own resolution expressing confi-dence in the board and backing

its view that Hannods should remain in the group. A document to explain this view was dispatched to Fraser shareholders last night.

STC plans division to sell expertise

Standard Telephones and communications and computer Cables, the electricals group headed by Sir Kenneth Corfield, plans to set up a new operating division in September to sell STC's expertise in research, new product development and factory automation systems.

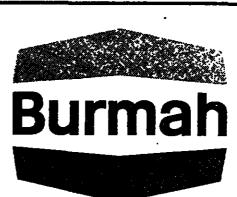
The new division, STC Technology, will have an annual turnover of £60m a year and nearly 2,000 employees. It will include Standard Telephone Laboratories, a new product development unit at Harlow, Essex, and a factory automation systems and machine tools operating unit at Foots Cray, in Kent.

formally takes over from its former parent company, ITT, this month will also be included in the division. IDEC employs 330 people at Stevenow", he said.

softwear consultancy. About 20 per cent of STC Technology's business is with companies outside the STC group at present. However, Sir Kenneth believes that the company could double that amount once the company is launched. "This would have a corresponding effect on the numbers employed", he said.

Sir Kenneth said the decision to establish the new division would turn STC's research and development work into a profit

Sir Kenneth said that the ITT IDEC, which STC only factor which could delay setting up the new company in September is a problem in recruiting a chief executive. "We are looking for someone



1982 RESULTS AND FINAL DIVIDEND

L In spite of the recession, we held our trading profit and continued the planned development of the business.

The quality, range and geographical spread of Burmah's operations provide ample opportunity for growth as world economic recovery gathers pace.

Sir Alastair Down, Chairman.

SALIENT FIGURES	1982 £ million	1981 £ million
Turnover	1,536-8	1,407-9
Profit before taxation	81-0	81-4
Profit after taxation	29-5	36-7
Extraordinary losses	(18-5)	(47-6)
Attributable to stockholders	8-9	(12-9)
Earnings per ordinary stock unit	18-33p	23·40p
Net tangible assets per ordinary stock unit	226p	228p

The directors have resolved to recommend a final dividend for the year 1982 of 7½p per £1 unit of ordinary stock (1981 7p). With related tax credit, this is equivalent to 10-7143p per £1 unit of ordinary stock (1981 10p). Together with the interim dividend paid last December, the total distribution for the year with related tax credit is 12:8571p per £1 unit of stock (1981 12-1429p). The cost to the company of the total distribution for the year (excluding advance corporation tax) is £13.9m (1981 £13.2m).

The final dividend, if approved, will be paid on 1 July 1983 to stockholders on the register at the close of business on 10 May

The figures for the year to 31 December 1982 are abridged from the Group's full accounts for that period, which received an unqualified auditors' report and will be filed with the Registrar of Companies after the annual general meeting.

To: The Secretary, The Burmah Oil Public Limited Company, Burmah House, Pipers Way, Swindon, Wilts. SN3 1 RE. Please send me a copy of the Annual Report and Accounts 1982.

The Burmah Oil Public Limited Company

The Annual Report and Accounts will be published on 10 May 1983. If you would like a copy, please fill in the coupon. The AGM will be held in Glasgow on 3 June 1983. The Burmah Oil Public Limited Company. Burmah House, Pipers Way, Swindon SN3 1 RE.

New chief of finance

Mr J. R. Martyn has been appointed finance director of BICC. Mr. Martyn was previously director, planning and finance of BICC Cables.

Mr R. Nelson Oliver has become chairman of Wimpey Homes Holdings, the Wimpey group's United Kingdom pri-

vate housing arm.
Mr Tony Coane is the new
managing director of Wimpey
Construction, the Wimpey
group's United Kingdom contracting arm.

Mr Peter W. Bickerton has joined Manufacturers Hanover this year, and the company has as an associate director in the corporate finance department Previously Mr Bickerton was deputy chairman and deputy managing director of Sime Darby London.

Mr J. Wood Scott has been appointed contract operations director of Meir Westgarth. He succeeds Mr John F. Davies who became managing director

Mr John Pilkinton is the new marketing director of Norwest

Mr David Hicks has become has been reorganized on a managing director of Bowater commission only basis. This in

Ripper, Mr John Abecasis has joined the board of London ship-brokers Eggar Forrester. He remains managing director of the associated company, Eggar, Forrester Offshre. Mr Paul Tailor Willox, managing dir-remaining 50 per cent of 7.6%

Cotor of Eggar. Forrester, has Clarkson Puckle, insurance Dividend payable 1.7.83 board of Eggar, Forrester this made £2.3m, slightly better

the confectionery division of Cadbury Schweppes.
Mr Stephen Whitehead has

been appointed managing dir-ector of C. Howard & Partners.

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Gill & Duffus edges ahead

Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit £12.9m (£12.8m) Stated earnings 11.0p (10.4p) Turnover £1,006m (£889m) Net final dividend 4.8p mkg 8.4p (same) Share price 178p +8p. Yield 6.7%

Dull commodity markets were expected to produce coresponding profits at Gill & Duffus, and the small increase to £12.9m was in line with expectations. But the share price has moved up, reflecting a jump to £19m or £20m this year, with a rise for shareholders as a result. Most markets have seen more activity

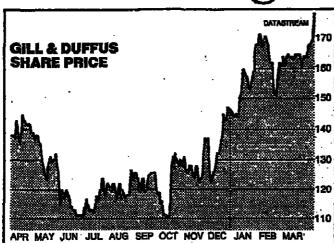
In chemical trading Gill & to Duffus lost £3m and has countries which reduced their other twin support of the £500,000 close-down costs in ability to buy raw material. As a the United States. But the new sugar and grain team, operating from 28 per cent to 19 per cent from Geneva and Connevticut, of turnover. But bank credits £5.3m to made a substantial profit, which

balanced that out. had a quiet trading period, but coffee exporting from Brazil did

Metal trading was weak, and now in line with Gill & Duffus' gold and petroleum futures operations. The costs of physical trading are regarded as being too heavy, considering con-

ditions. The group has bought the been appointed to the broker, from Brooke Bond and

than 1981. Offshore.
Mr Robin S. Napier has become a director of Marlar pany says it is starting with more activity and profitability— Mr A. Michael Detsiny is to join Allied Breweries as marketing director. He is currently ing. It plans to build on its new marketing director.



production to £48.5m

company, was marginally down

£5.3m to £10.7m, but the continuing feebleness of the

tanker market means this

momentum will not be main-

tained in the coming year. As usual, Burman continues to pay

for its problems of the past, this time primarily the disastrous Tabbert caravan operation in

These crop up in the form of

a £9m loss on the investment

division (against a £900,000 profit in 1981) and in £14m of write-offs that make up the bulk

of this year's extraordinary items provision of £18.5m.

Although there should be some improvement in profits

this year, Burmah's health is

the long-rumoured bid, of which Burmah continues to

Only slight recovery from £605,000 pretax can be expected

dend may be restored.

to the economy. Without

no knowledge,

at £49.1m.

Shipping

fell, because of bank reluctance and provide credit for those result, European business fell are now beginning to be

available again. The traditional businesses - Soft commodity activity has mainly cocoa, coffee and rubber cooled a little, and the market may decide that the prospective rating at 131/2 times earnings is

Burmah Oil

Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profits £81.0m (£81.4m) Stated earnings 18.33p (23.40p) Turnover £1,536.8m (£1,407.9m) Final dividend 71, mkg 9p (81,p) Share price 168p up 5p Yield

The most notable news from Burmah vesterday was that Sir Alastair Down, who saved the company after the great tanker shares are going to look crash, is retiring as chairman in extremely dull,

marketing director of Cadbury. sugar and grain companies, and tainly nothing to write home to strengthen coffee trading in about, but although flat, pretax the United States. Rubber has profits are slightly better than been responding to improved the City expected. The figures orders from the motor industry. were boosted by a £9.6m Business with Eastern Europe improvement in exploration

Higgs and Hill Group

Higgs and Hill Group Year to 31.12.82 Pertax profit £4.6m (£3.6m) Stated earnings 38.4p (30.30p)
Turnover £150m (£127m)
Net/final dividend 5.75p mkg 9p Share price 335p up 13p Yield 3.8%

Construction and property group Higgs & Hill has main tained the steady upward trend in both profits and dividends, and is reflecting the relative bouyancy of its private com-mercial construction work in the south east and its reputation in management contracting.

Sales and profits are up 27 per cent, and the dividend is up 38 per cent, still more than four times covered.

The company says it has become increasingly difficult to replace construction work in Britain with work at a satisfac-tory margin, and profits and sales are expected to be flat this

Overseas, which accounts for about 20 per cent of turnover, the company has secured some good contracts, with the £15m central bank in Barbados, and a £25m management contract for

a hospital in Egypt.

Property in Britain was difficult, and the trading result was disappointing. In France lettings were good, athough this was not fully reflected in profits, but an improvement is expected

Higgs & Hill is confident that a further good performance will be shown this year, and the market is suggesting that up to £5.5m pretax could be made. The balance sheet remains strong, the company being in a from glass group Rockware this good net cash position.

year given pressure on margins, its 90 per cent debt to shareholders' funds ratio, and heavy earnings rating at 11 times capital spending. But the diviewant does not look and dend may be restored. Given this performance, the

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

Immediate Business Systems is to raise about £2.52m net of to raise about £2.52m net of expenses by a one-for-four rights issue of 1.35m new ordinary shares of 10p each at 198p per share. The issue has been underwritten by Margetts & Addenbrooke, East, Newton, stockbrokers to immediate Rusinage Custome 102 elections ate Business Systems. IBS also announces a new venture in Hongkong Shares in IBS have been dealt on the Unlisted Securities Market since a placing at 90p per share in February, 1982.

Astbury & Madeley (Holdings) Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit, £1.21m (£901,000) Stated samings, 12.1p (11.3p) Turnover, £12.27m (£10,55m) Net dividend, 5.0p (5.0p)

Huntleigh Group Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit, £803,000 (£1.4m) Stated earnings, 4.8p (8.7p) Turnover, £17.38m (£14.71m) Net dividend, 2.0p (1.7p)

John Finlan Year to 31.12.82 rear to 31.12.62 Pretax profit, £592,000 (£568,000) Stated earnings, 12.44p (20.48p) Turnover, £4.6m (£6.3m) Net dividend, 6.25p (6.25p)

Wilson (Connolly) Holdings Year to 31.12.82. Pretax profit, £10.1m (£8.31m) Stated earnings, 31.1p (£7.3p) Turnover, £43.7m (£39.8m) Net dividend, 3.75p (3p)

Oilfield Inspection Services Year to 31.12.82 Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit, £1.34m (£1.03m) Stated earnings, 10.7p (10.4p) Turnover, £11.76m (£9.22m) Net dividend, 2.3p (nil)

Royal Worcester Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit, £7.28m (£1.95m) Stated earnings, 12.5p (£5.1p) Turnover, £49.63m (£47.76m) Net dividend, 8.6p (8.6p)

Automation revives Dewhirst's margins

By Jonathan Clare Heavy expenditure by L J. Dewhirst on automating its textile plant has helped improved margins in the face of almost static selling prices to increase profits from £2.5m to 2 9m last year.

·Sales this year are already well ahead and increased volume should mean first half profits are at least 15 per cent up on £1.4m last time.

believed to have been tendering cent of which is volume. There to fill gaps in their production is a one-for-four scrip issue.

Year to 14.1.83 Pretax profit £2.9m (£2.5m) Stated earnings 6.53p (5.55p) Turnover £27.4m (£23.2m) Net dividend 1.27p (1.08p) Share price 127, up 4p. Yield 1.4%

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lines. This competition meant sales last year missed targers. but prospects are much better with a year's work in hand.

Capital expenditure last year Dewhirst's success is largely was £1.4m, but substantially due to its long-standing re- more is expected this year with lationship with Marks and hopes that the recession is Spencer which takes about 90 ending Cash is marginally up per cent of its production. But on a year ago at £4.5m even the uniform side – mainly for the police with the Metropolipurchase of Castlecrafts though lower interest rates have pushed tan force a big customer – lower interest rates have pushed suffered last year from growing investment income down slight-

Companies like Hepworth Sales last year were up by and the Burton Group are 18.2 per cent, all but 1.2 per

Mohair boost to £1.96m

A substantial improvement in demand for yarns last autumn, plus the effect of a weaker pound on British Mohair Spinners' competitive position, boosted the company's profits to £1.96m last year. The improvement extends

the recovery in the Bradford-based combing, dyeing and spinning group's profitability from the disastrous downturn tive in world markets as a in 1979 and 81. Most of it came of the cheaper pound. in the second half.

Mr John, chairman, said trading conditions proved to be trading conditions proved to be much better than expected with total for the year from 4p to demand for worsted speciality 4.2p.

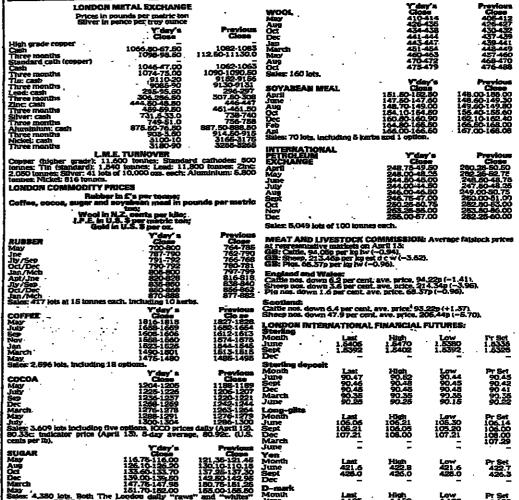
British Mohair Spinners Year to 31.12.82. Pretax profit £1.96m (£852,000). Stated earnings 9.6p (5p).
Turnover £25.76m (£22.2m).
Net final dividend 3.24p making 4.2p (4p).

yarns reviving substantially during the autumn.

The company said that it was becoming increasingly competitive in world markets as a result

A final dividend of 3.24p is

COMMODITIES



Bairstow Eves, the first residential estate agency to have its shares listed on The Stock Exchange, achieved record sales and record profits in 1982 and expects further expansion in 1983. The salient trading facts of 1982 were:

- Sales of 8,150 homes with a value of £250,000,000.
- Mortgages of £100,000,000 arranged for 4,500 purchasers.
- Profits £1,216,000 compared with £697,000 in 1981.
- Distribution of three bonus shares for every four shares held.
- Dividend rate for 1983 forecast to be maintained on increased share
- Additional sales offices will start earning profits this year.

A record year

Substantial increase in profits forecast for 1983.

 Sales network now totals 46 offices. Expansion will continue.



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WALL STREET

Hewden-Stuart Plant revival

Glasgow-based Hewden-Stuart Plant bounced back into the black in the 12 months to January 30 with a pretax profit of £1.43m, compared with the previous year's loss of £954,000. Turnover was £5m greater at £86m. The total dividend is being maintained at 1.82p gross

Hewden made a small profit in the second half-year against a loss of £1.2m in the last half of the previous year. The board's opinion is that the trading outlook is now moderately

Base Lending Rates

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167	112	Torday & Carlisle	114	_	11,4	10.0	5.1	8.7
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Bowthorpe Holdings PLC

Results for the Year ended **31 December 1982**

1982 (1981)**TURNOVER** £72.79m (63.94m)**PRE-TAX PROFITS** £12.4m (11.4m) EARNINGS PER SHARE 15.8p (13.9p)TOTAL DIVIDEND 4.041p (3.415p)



Bowthorpe Holdings PLC

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BANRO CONSOLIDATED INDUSTRIES plc

Results to 31st December	1982	. 1981
Turnover Profit before tax Profit after tax	£ 24,131,833 508,450 261,157	£ 21,105,775 725,848 486,787
Earnings per share Dividend per share (net)	3.9p 3.3p	7.6p 3.3p

 $oldsymbol{6}$] am naturally disappointed with the overall result, but as anticipated cartain areas of the group were affected by the slow introduction of customers' new model ranges. The finances of the group remain sound and your board proposes to maintain the total ordinary dividend at 3.3p. We have continued to increase our range of products and to re-equip our factories, ensuring that we maintain out plants to the very highest standards, which is essential

for the future success of your group. Looking ahead, our order books are satisfactory and we are well positioned to benefit from any sustained recovery in the economy. We have no reason to be pessimistic about results for 1983 or for the longer-term future.99 Edward Rose, Chairman and Chief Executive



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A Year of Substantial Growth in the Bank's Operations

Highlights from the Statement of the Chairman, Mr E. I. Japhet, KBE, at the Bank's **Annual General Meeting**

- 1982 saw substantial growth in the bank's business. Total assets grew by 19.3% to over \$285 million. Loans increased 51% to £113 million while total deposits rose by
- Net profit after tax and transfer to Inner Reserve increased by 35.5% to £638,000. Final dividend will be 7.00p per share making a total for the year of 10.15p (1981 – 10.15p). Total 1982 dividend will amount to £315,000 as against £210,000 in 1981. To match the progress of business the bank's capital was augmented by a £2.5 million rights issue and a £1.25 million subordinated loan.
- The progress of the branches justifies the policy of encouraging retail banking. West End branch has been considerably enlarged to provide improved facilities for both customers and staff.
- The bank is making its first move outside London with the opening of a Northern Representative Office in Leeds. During the year new facilities were introduced for personal customers including
- some savings schemes and the launch of our Cashpoint service in conjunction with Lloyds Bank. The bank continued to play an active role in the financing and encouragement of bilateral British-Israel trade which totalled almost £500 million in 1982.

Mr David Efrima has been appointed General Manager of the bank after serving

30 years in various managerial positions in Israel. Branches in the West End, the City, Edgware, Golders Green, and Gants Hill, Illord Northern Representative Office in Leeds

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prices are moving upward. The

societies have

switched the focus from lending back to savings as they compete for funds

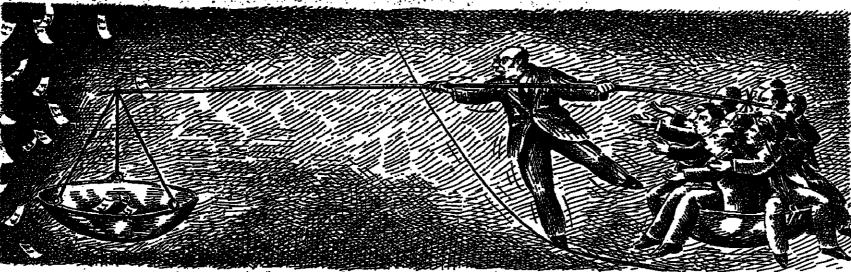
from investors.

The overwhelming problem now confronting building societies is the perennial one of where to find the funds to meet mortgage demand, a complete turnaround from the situation 12 months ago when some societies were having difficulties finding borrowers.

This time last year building societies were being forced to abolish mortgage rate different meet repayments) to virtually trals, introduce 100 per cent anyone who walked in off the loans and generally relax lend. street. The banks' early claim ing policy in a bid to hang on to that they were in the mortgage their borrowing customers as the banks made vast inroads somewhat hollow ring about it

July. But by the end of the year. commitments to borrowers now £200m a month and the month. societies are now once again

Building societies



demand stimulated beyond the normal spring upturn by the banks' erstwhile policy of lending whatever the customer asked for (provided he could

bank lending was down to about running at more than £1,600m a

"Societies were forced to

February to maintain their current high level of lending activity said Mr Richard Weir, secretary general of the Building Societies Association recently. "Even so some societies are "Even so some societies are Providing the finds for reporting that they are finding it lending at these levels continues difficult to difficult to meet mortgage demand and are being forced to

impose some restrictions". Societies' liquidity which stood at nearly 21 per cent at the end of 1982 is down to into their lending territory,
In the three months ending
August 18, 1982 the banks lent
away from lending back to to decline. "Since last summer
£1,375m compared with the
societies' total of £4,115m for
competing with each other for monthly level of net advances
funds in an attempt to meet from some £700m to about from some £700m to about £840m. On the other hand the London clearing banks have reduced their lending over the

ment to housing finance is bound to have a serious effect on the mortgage market" said

to be the societies' major preoccupation. Many products and services have been introduced ranging from the much publicized Cheque Save account at Abbey National to cheques at Leeds Permanent discount cards from Leicester Building Society. What is worrying is that in spite of the fact that National Savings, the societies biggest competitor, is keeping a fairly same period from £350m a low profile, net receipts are

bearing the full brunt of draw on their liquid assets in month to £140m. Such marked running at under £400m a demand for home loans - a February to maintain their changes in the banks' commit month while £700m is needed

to meet demand for loans.

The societies hope to attract new customers and deposits with the introduction of ATMs (Automated Teller Machines) which give the account holder access to cash 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Halifax is launching more than 100 cash dispenser machines starting in June and hopes to have them installed in one in five of its 557 branches by the middle of 1984.

And the societies have been quick off the mark at investigating the possibility of a common ATM network throughout the building society industry. A study group chaired by Peter Lumb of Leeds Permanent has completed the first stage of its

investigations and has concluded that a common ATM network is desirable. Stage two is now in progress and the group is looking at how the network should be established, whether it should be linked to the banks' systems, how much it might cost and formulae for charging

societies which take part. One of the major conclusions of the study group was that building societies ought to take much greater part in the Committee of London Clearing Banks' discussions on ATMs. They are concerned that they should not be excluded from the banks' plans for a new national network for electronic cash transmission - a system for linking retailers' tills directly to

on the banks' activities. Though the installation of ness, it might require some savers to finance each borrower fundamental changes if the and there is no sign of the trend societies are to be able to meet being reversed. mortgage demand in the coming

The Spalding Report set out a number of reforms that the societies would like to see contained in any legislation. But which indicates that a very curiously it made no comment substantial proportion of the on reforming the societies' tax adult population now has a treatment. If the composite rate building society account, were abolished and societies There are those both within were free to pay interest without deduction of tax if requested, this would probably do more than any other single charge to round up new customers and

The societies could retain the current system of deducting basic rate tax at source but non-taxpayers would be free to claim it from the Inland Revenue. The composite rate now stands at 25.25 per cent reflecting the long-term reduction in the real value of tax thresholds and the fact that more building society investors than ever before are liable to tax. To abolish the composite rate would cut some 0.5 per cent off the societies' operating margins which would have to be recouped by widening the spread between mortgage rate and investment

A major feature of progress over the past decade has been the speed with which mergers have reduced the number of societies. In 1971 there the banks' computers, allowing 467 societies but by 1982 the

instant debiting of customers' number had been halved to 22 accounts. We have made no with 26 disappearing in 1982 formal decision on it but our alone. During this period the general reaction must be that we societies' assets have grown would be opposed to a mon-from £12,919m to today's figure opoly that would make us into of over £74,000m. The figures second class citizens", said Mr look good but they hide the fact Weir. The Office of Fair that it is becoming increasingly Trading is keeping a close eye difficult for the societies to

finance their lending. In 1971 the ratio of investors ATMs will undoubtedly en- to borrowers was just under hance the societies' attractive three to one. It now takes six

> Over the same period house prices have risen by roughly two-and-a-half times and the number of building society members has risen to 20 million

the industry and outside who question whether is is possible to finance house purchase into the 1980s purely from personal sector savings and it is increasingly likely that societies will be turning to the money markets for a growing pro-

portion of their funds. The danger is that with the BSA interest rate agreement now virtually defunct, societies will bid up the price of money by competing amongst themselves rather than finding new sources of finds. Though this would undoubtedly benefit the investor, it would not necessarily produce many finds. arily produce more funds for house purchase. What we are likely to see is demand for mortgages being choked off by price - a situation which will hit the first-time buyer hardest. The societies will need all the skill and imagination they can muster if they are to continue to meet mortgage demand in the

Lorna Bourke

COMPETITION

Streamlining services in the High Street

most heated defrate at next requirements - but with the month's annual general meeting of the Building Societies Association is not the far reaching Societies could use his dis-implications of an industrywide cretion to waive this limit. A automated teller machine net-work; nor is it the difficulties or insurance bank or insurance the societies will undoubtedly company could produce over demand over the coming year, ing banks and insurance com-What will really set the feathers panies if it were efficiently run. thying is the proposal to reduce What alarms the critics – and the number of seats on the many of them are within the association's council from 35 to industry - is that the societies 27. a change which will do not have the expertise to run inevitably mean fewer seats for such institutions and that in so

that despite big efforts - and in mothing more than just another citoris - to drag building societies into the twentieth contary, there is still a long way One building society council member, commenting on the radical proposals for Spalding Report, was heard to say that there were still too many people on the BSA council who couldn't run a bicycle shop, let alone the finance houses, banks, property and insurance companies which Spalding Report sought freedom to set up.

The BSA document, The Future Constitution and Powers Building Societies, high overheads, colloquially known as the The societies Spalding Report, is a masterpiece of diplomacy, looking are circumscribed by the re-innocuous enough, sounding quirements of the 1962 Building moderate and soothing even to Societies Act and while their those opposed to change. But its assets in 1960 stood at just over implications could revolu-tionize the provision of finan-cial services in the High Street and make building societies the most powerful financial institutions in the country. Steering 11 through the various stages to eventual legislation is going to need every ounce of skill the

societies can summon.

Predictably opposition has been most vocal from the professions - solicitors, estate agents and surveyors - least used to competition. The report that societies should be able to act as agents on the sale and purchase of property, to do structural surveys "in-house" for buyers and to carry out conveyancing work for prospective borrowers.

All of this aims to streamline

house buying and provided the alternatives of outside independent professional help remain available, it can only be in the compete on similar terms, we ocsi interest of homebuyers, don't mind", is the common The recommendation that response Bankers privately societies should be able to lend suspect that the societies would for purposes other than pure make a hash of any attempts to house purchase is sensible. Why should housebuyers, particu- are content to stand back and larly those buying for the first let them make a mess of it.
time, be unable to borrow legal What must concern delet fees. stamp duty, or funds to at next mouth's BSA conference cover furnishings and other as they sit listening to the

At the moment they have to go up the read to the banks and pay a higher rate of interest out of already stretched resources. The societies would like 10 remedy this.

But it is the societies' desire to stretch their wings and take off over other territory that is alarming some. The Spelding recommends that societies should be free to establish, acquire or invest in a trait is that they are rather thin finance house or property managers who will lead the company - either by itself, or societies forward to take ad-

jointly with other societies.
The societies suggest that investment in such institutions should be limited to one-third

important provise that the Chief Registrar of Friendly in meeting mortgage whelming competition to exist

the smaller societies - and they doing they would lose what aren't going to let them go some see as their major advantages, their image as All of which demonstrates friendly societies, becoming

> At a lunch at the BSA on the day the Spalding Report was published, the question was asked - "Why do the societies satisfactory reply was given except that they would quite like to have greater freedom. like to have greater.
>
> And while much is as and the building societies, the real competition is between the societies themselves. The banks forzy into building society field offering home loads to all comers died a very sapid death and they are mable to compete for investors because of the

> . The societies point out that most of their current activities £3,000m, today they control more than £74,000m, with more than 20 million members. Anyone who sat through this year's AGM of Nationwide Building Society listening to five hours of tedious nit-picking by members attempting to exercise their democratic rights would acknowledge that some

The societies tacitly acknow ledge that there is little to be done about this situation - at least at present. To limit members' rights at a time when they are trying to exercise them for the first time in 20 years would be a bad political move.

Reaction from the banks and possibility of direct competition from the building societies has been remarkably restrained. "So long as they are forced to

What must concern delegates debates on what is the right number of seats on the BSA council and who should occupy them, is that the bankers may

The current generation of building society chief executives are all reaching retirement age five stepped down last year and many more are due to go soon. While there are undoubtedly bright executives within the building society movement, the insurance company, on the ground. Where are the varitage of the brave new world envisaged in the Report?

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investors have been saving less noney, but demands for loans are increasing. Reconciling the two sides of the market has caused strains for the building societies and fierce fighting for

deposits with the banks. The result for the investor has been more attractive savings for those who are prepared to shop around. It has also resulted in some new marketing ploys by banks and building societies to attract young savers then hold them as they become rates to manage the level of banks' share had risen from wage-earners and house-owners. sterling.

The building societies have been weighed down under the and lending rates the building increased mortgage applications societies operate at a fine as the banks have withdrawn margin between borrowing and from the major expansionary drive, leaving raised expectent, of which about 1 per cent tations among borrowers. While is overheads. The banks like to the London clearing banks have operate with a margin of 7 per cut back their lending from cent. Thus the building societies £350m a month to £140m from have limited leeway for overlast summer, the building head cost increases. The banks societies stepped up net advanc-find it difficult at times of es from around £700m to £840m over the period accommodate their overheads, Societies have therefore been which is why their mortgage drawing on their liquid assets. business is not profitable at So they want to attract new So they want to attract new present. Both groups are ner-funds, and to keep their existing your of pushing up borrowing savers. If pressure becomes too severe, they will be forced to put the political impact. up the mortgage rate to enable the savings rate to rise to The Government is not competitive levels – as the worried for National Savings Prime Minister is only too rates as the movement has been

various funds and resources. savings schemes.

The building societies and banks are not the only influence covers National Savings certifion interest rates in the money cates, index-linked savings and market, of course, which makes SAYE, appeals especially to the it more difficult for them to high tax brackets, which include price their products. Inflation- the larger savers. This creates pounds of money or govern- National Savines push.

ment securities in which they Despite the express

money is also an influence on societies have steadily increased interest rates, although less of a their deposits. For the third

Building Societies

Ordinary Share Accounts

*Building Societies Term Shares & Regular

National Savings Bank

Bank 7-day Deposits

Current interest rates for investments (per cent)

op around as rates very between 0.5 per cent and 1.25 per cent above the rec

INVESTMENT

Need for new funds and savers

transperse to the second se

When pitching the borrowing margin between borrowing and lending rates - around 4 per accommodate their overheads, rates at the moment, because of The Government is not

ware. reaching its targets - set at There are estimated to be 20 £3,000m for the second year million adults investing in running—with ease. When the building societies, and between authorities want to step on the them they have nearly 34 accelerator, they have the million accounts. Savers, not as advantage of being able to loyal as they used to be, have increase funds not only via interest rates—which are usual. become more interest-rate conscious, although many account ly pitched to be competitive users are merely seeking a with building society share charge-free, interest-bearing accounts - but by increasing the method of separating their holding limits on tax-free

The tax free element which

Despite the expressed con- in marketing. cern about liquidity ratios, and Government demand for the increasing competition, the direct competitor than it used to quarter of last year, the latest be because government borrow-figures available, the total ing requirements have been outstanding was around declining. Because of the sensi-£63,000m out of the personal

7.5

tivity of interest rates in an sector total of £135,000m. Four election year the government years ago it was £35,000m out has been avoiding using interest of a total of £74,000m. The

£24,000m to £50,000m. The most evident sign of building society stress about liquidity ratios is the rates they are prepared to offer over the ordinary share account to attract deposits. It is estimated that about 70 per cent of new money going into building societies is going to premium accounts of some sort. While the size of the premiums has shaded back as interest rates have come down from their peaks, these are historically very high. Large as well as small societies are paying over the odds - in usual conditions this is confined mainly to the small

Other services being offered by the building societies to attract depositors are legion spreading to a determined incursion into traditional retain banking with the offer of a cheque book. This has some way to go before matching the banks' services, and is why the societies are so interested in participating in a national cheque clearing system.

The efforts extend to trying to inculcate the building society habit in the young. To children, they can offer a service where banks do not. The appeal of a ass-book, enabling a child to deposit or withdraw cash instantly is enormous. A current account cannot be held by a child until the age of 16.

But building societies have ary expectations can push up problems for the building also been offering a soft-sell rates in the markets where they societies, which always feel the approach of giving away toys have to fight for the billions of draining of capital from a and money boxes, and using characters familiar to children

> No short-term solution seems likely to resolve the growing morigage shortage, so savers can expect to be courted ever more assiduously.

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Tax at

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Sally White

Buying a home is usually the largest single investment any-one makes in a lifetime, but in many cases less care is taken than when shopping around for

a car or even a pair of shoes.

Over the last decade there has been a rush into home-ownership as people have been afraid of losing out during the great price surges of the 1970s. More recently single people, of both sexes, have represented the major force in the house buying market as greater affluence and a shortage of suitable rente accommodation has convince them of the merits of ownin

their own house or flat. Certainly the whole proce has become less daunting ar the money more freely availab than probably at any other tim But just because the process h been made easier there is n reason to throw away cautio when house hunting and sho ping around for a mortgage.

For the first-time buyer making the initial hesitar steps on the home ownershi ladder can be the most exciting xious experience encountere And for the second and this time buyers the whole exerci is filled with danger and disaste at every turn.

It is now more than thre years since the banks made the first appearance in the general mortgage arena. For a number of reasons, not least that they had more money than they knew what to do with, the banks became extremely willing to lend money for house buying.

If the banks did nothing else £45,000 they simplified the whole process of obtaining a mortgage. All you had to do was pick up a telephone, chat to the morte manager, fill in a form and hey presto you were given a mortgage subject usually only to a valuation.

grovelling and pleading with a is prepared to lend you. The building society manager who rough rule of thumb guide is seemed to shake his head more still between 214 and 214 times often than he nodded. And very your annual gross salary and if quickly the banks had grabbed a you are buying with a friend or 30 per cent slice of all new mortgage business.

enthusiasm for mortgage lend- must also establish what per-ing seems to have evaporated centage of the valuation price somewhat and most of them they will lend. In these less impose restrictions of one kind generous days the maximum or another. Today a buyer is appears to have slipped from 95 back on the streets trudging per cent, or even 100 per cent in between his bank and building some cases, to about 85 per cent society to see who will give him to 90 per cent.

the present boom in the market has imposed restrictions which While they recognize that one may well lead to a mortgage bedroom flats and houses make famine. Certainly reports from useful starter homes for young some estate agents indicate that queues are starting to form in some parts of the country, and brokers, solicitors and insurance companies are coming back into their own.

HOUSE BUYING

The ups and downs of the market-place

Costs of buying a house

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260,000

For the first-time buyer the initial step is to establish how Gone were the days of much a building society or bank spouse then a year's income of the other person will usually be Unfortunately the banks taken into account too. You

a mortgage.

Building societies still tend to
be very conservative and are been lending record amounts, cautious about what types of property they will lend on. single people they prefer two bedrooms because it will be

House prices are on the move again. After almost two years in the doldrams there are clear

signs of a more buoyant market

Normally the big rush into

But selling in a rising market

easier to resell later.

house hunting starts. To make life easier try to decide roughly where you want to live. If it is outside the area you know well then spend some time exploring in order to get a feel for the place, fixing in your own mind which streets or roads are better than others.

No matter how specific you are an agent will simply hand you a list of properties which more or less covers your price range. Never be afraid to look at properties which may at first appear more expensive than you can afford - prices are usually negotiable and you may be able to talk the bank or building society manager into

lending more money. If you are buying a flat then be careful of the not-so-hidden extras like service charges and central London service charges can range from between £15 to £80 a week depending on the

Once it is established how viewing properties for the the room? Do the walls look out much you can spend, the first time gives most people a of line and is the pointing gruelling and often depressing, distorted perspective of the crumbling away outside? Are

house or flat. Obviously with some you walk in through the front door and you want to buy it but that shouldn't prevent you from keeping your eyes open for obvious defects which will cost money to rectify.

It is advisable to employ a surveyor to examine any house or flat you intend to buy. Less than one in 10 buyers do so and it can cost them dear. Surveyors charges relate to the purchase price but an average house or flat will cost you about £150 in

preliminary work you can do yourself. Is there a shortage of view buying at auction can be a electric points in each room? If trickier affair. You must have so it may indicate that the done your homework - such as property has been rewired on surveys and arranging the the cheap and may need further finance - before you go into the work. Is there a smell of auction room and never be dampness from cupboards tempted to go over your limit. under the stairs or the cellar? Remember when the gavel Do the floorboards move under descends you are contracted to the carpet when you walk across

others are accumulating grow-

ing lists in many areas. Appli-

problems," says a recent report

becomes worse, then any growth in prices will be significantly slowed Essentially,

it is valuers' expectations of an intensifying mortgage "squeeze" which leads them to predict price items generally in line with inclusions.

Across the country, though, large differences in price rises

are reported by estate agents. Industrial centres, hard pressed

by the current recession, in the North-west, the North-east and the heart of the Midlands are

tending to witness less than

Clearly, if the situation

from the Society.

there slates or tiles missing from the roof?

To save yourself some money it is always worth discovering which surveyor the building society or bank is using for its valuation and ask him to undertake a full structural survey on your behalf.

A word of warning 2 valuation is only that. The surveyor is basically checking that the property on which you have applied for a mortgage exists and is of the size you stated on your application form He only assesses its value at the time he visits the premises. It is not a survey and it is always advisable to instruct him to survey the property fully.

Once you have decided on the property to buy then the frustration and the expenses begin. Generally a solicitor will be needed to undertake the logal aspect of your purchase. Conveyancing charges are about 1 per cent of purchase price. This will vary a little and it is always worth contacting three or four solicitors and ask them for

Your other major expense will be stamp duty if the property is above £25,000. This government tax is levied in bands: £25,001 to £30,000 will be 0.5 per cent of the entire price, £30,001 to £35,000 at 1 per cent, £35,001 to £40,000 at 1.5 per cent, £40,001 and above

For anyone moving from a £45,000 home to a £60,000 one all these expenses add up to a considerable sum. According to statistics released by the Woolwich Building Society recently it would cost a family as much as £4,000 to make such a move although savings of up to 40 per cent could be made by not using an estate agent to sell your existing home and employing the services of a conveyance firm to undertake the legal

Some vendors may feel that in a rising market as at present an auction is the only way to get the best market price for their home. If you decide on this course of action then be prepared for extra expenses such as brochures, leaflets and general advertising to ensure a good attendance at the auction. All types of property go under the auctioneer's hammer these days and prices can start as low as £25,000 depending on age, There is a certain amount of condition and location.

From a purchasers point of

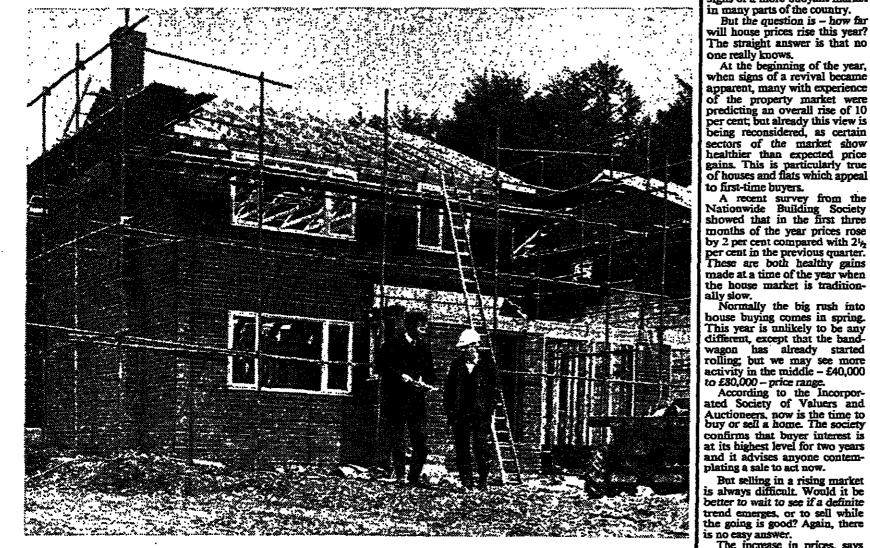
Baron Phillips Property Correspondent ::: :::::

Vationwide in action: Handcross

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Nationwide is actively supporting some self-build groups, as well as urban renewal programmes in many city centres where housing improvements

are urgently needed. Above we show a site at Handcross, Sussex, where the Society is assisting a group with the necessary skills to build their own homes.

First-time buyers also need help and nearly half Nationwide's lending goes to such applicants, many of whom are on lower than average earnings.

Nationwide is also active in providing valuable up-to-date information about the housing market in its regular quarterly bulletin "House Prices."

to decide Nationwide



in many parts of the country. But the question is - how far will house prices rise this year? The straight answer is that no At the beginning of the year, when signs of a revival became apparent, many with experience of the property market were predicting an overall rise of 10 per cent; but already this view is being reconsidered, as certain

lead to this recent upward drift in prices. In the second half of 1982 interest rates tumbled from a record level of 15 per cent to around 10 per cent, inflation fell to about 5 per cent and the banks and building societies were injecting more money into the market than

But perhaps the most import-ant ingredient of all was confidence. Buyers were more

The increase in prices, says the ISVA, is matched in some areas by such a strong demand for property, at all levels, that the antisocial practice of "gazumping" has reappeared. For those fortunate enough not to have encountered it, it is the way in which vendors hold out for the highest price against competing buyers — a frustrating.

ing, time-consuming and money-wasting exercise.

Little can be done to prevent gazumping. Estate agents argue that they are employed to get the best price for the seller, though most despise the practice.

Against this background of rising prices it should be remembered that there are tremendous regional variations both in the amount of any increase and in the speed of that demand, there is second and third time buyers. sales. It should also be borne in mind that prices hardly moved during the past two years, and home owners should not get as sales start to increase

appears to have regained a healthy glow, agents see a dark A number of factors has cloud looming on the horizon.

PRICES

Moving again, but how far?

delays and difficulties in obtaining mortgages are now appear-

confident of keeping their jobs as unemployment levels stab-lised at around 3,250,000; they were more confident of not slipping further behind in their standard of living as inflation fell; and they felt more confident that lower interest rates were here to stay, for a while at

At the same time government housing policies were beginning to bite. Sales of council houses exceeded 500,000, less public sector housing was built and council rents rose: all had the desired effect: to push more and more people into home owner-

Also, private housebuilders began to drag themselves off the 1980 low point, when work started on only 96,000 homes, to the point where that figure looks like doubling this year. Even in these lean past few years sales were stimulated by the marketing activities of builders like Sir Lawrie Barratt, who offered a whole host of incentives to tempt buyers into a new

The greatest demand has been for first-time buyers' property and many of the large builders have switched as much as three-quarters of their production into small flats and houses. While this has mopped

Estate agents have been reporting huge backlogs of unsold property during the past two years. Only now are they beginning to see shortage of certain types of houses and flats,

few months. While the South-east has national average.

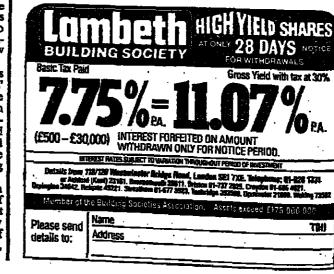
generally been regarded as a pace-setter for house prices, many agents are saying that rises are only just above the The ISVA survey indicates

average increases. But even in some parts of the Midlands some prices have risen by as much as 8 per cent over the past

that the western region has witnessed the strongest recovery, as the cost of buying a home has advanced by more than 12 per cent since last June. But it must be remembered that many of these price rises are from a low base, because in autumn 1981 there was a According to the ISVA expectations of a major upsurge in prices seem doomed to disapcosts have only just managed to costs have only just managed to regain their position of two years ago. Just because everyone is saying that there have been widespread increases, you cannot, in every case, simply acute, but valuers report that add on 10 per cent to the price some building societies are you paid for your home two operating quota systems, and years ago.

Although last month's Budget cations requiring high proportionate mortgages, especially
those needing 95 per cent or threshold is not going to set the
more, are meeting growing residential market alight. Most must be regarded as a help to people in the property industry believe the Chancellor's move will have little or no impact on prices.

If confidence can be restored to the economy and real inroads made into unemployment levels, and if fears of a mortgage famine are unfounded, then we may well see a general uplift in house prices. But with the prospects of a general election looming – and with all the uncertainty that entails – we cannot really expect a major improvement in prices for some



A timely change that may secure a mortgage

repayment loan to the insurance- cent. linked endowment method

building societies as they ations. struggle desperately to meet the ever-increasing demand for home loans. And if you are likely to want a mortgage soon "We seem to have waiting lists."

ations.

"The situation is not looking branches. "The money is just very good", says Mr Parkinson, not coming in," reports Mr likely to want a mortgage soon.

"We seem to have waiting lists." likely to want a mortgage soon. the offer of converting to the insurance-linked method might most have used all their April weeks for a loan." be the very ace which will allocation and are already clinch the deal and get you a starting on May's".

loan where others seeking a Chains of homeby

Even building society managers are human and the commission carned on selling you an insurance policy could be the deciding factor in giving you a loan as opposed to the

matically the situation has already out to the limit," says changed from last summer Mr Fry, "Demand is showing when virtually anyone could no sign of slacking and I think walk- into a building society of the higger societies if normal lending criteria were met - obtain a loan.

Nobody really thought the Indian summer would last and when interest rates began to fall in the autumn, the banks decided that they had done chough mongage business and pulled out, leaving the societies to cope with the inevitable

real presence in the market, and housing associations have lending £90m to £100m of the become very enthysicston. lending £90m to £100m of the become very enthusiastic". High Street banks current Nationwide is not cutting back West has now decided that borrowers are having to wait there is no point in giving about eight weeks for a loan.

money away when borrowers

First-time buyers in the

It always pays to keep an ace are perfectly prepared to pay "priority" category are going to up your sleeve in any bargain more, and introduced, from their local authority to obtain the cituation.

should refrain from making the situation is beginning to look weren't bothering as they were switch if they are likely to grim and mutterings of the need able to obtain a loan direct from for an increase in rates to bring a society. Queues of up to 12 weeks are in more money are beginning to Woolwich Building Society

you a loan as opposed to the potential borrowers a definite

client homebuyers to plough back into their new home any profits made on the sale of their old property.

Over at Nationwide, Mr Gordon Bentley reports queues the recommended ratiforming rapidly. "We are cent for their money. forming rapidly. "We are getting demand from all sources not only from ordinary

Situation. Homebuyers April 13, a 1 per cent premium their chit under the local wavering on the brink of on endowment linked loans - authority support scheme which switching from a straight up from 10 per cent to 11 per gives them preference in a cent. building societies the queue. Last summer they

reported by all the major overwhelm all other consider has had to limit lending to "We seem to have waiting lists no sign of slackening and people

Of the big five societies. loan where others seeking a Chains of homebuyers await-society not quite so sorely repayment mortgage will be ing mortgages are developing pressed. I would say we are and spring has seen the first taking six to eight weeks at Leeds Permanent is the only heavy." commented Mr Jim the table shows how dra-to 12 weeks ahead. "We are Leeds Permanent. But there is

walk into a building society we are in for a difficult at one of the bigger societies if branch and - provided the summer." Abbey National is asking been saving only recently are virtually non-existent. Most expect borrowers to have saved for at least six months. Smaller societies are generally more flexible but will charge above

With home loans expect to see the resurrection of members but housebuilders are that almost extinct breed, the Only NatWest retains any suddenly feeling more confident mortgage broker. But whatever you do, don't switch to an monthly total of £140m. Nat- on its percentage advance but the next few months. You could need this as a sweetener to get

HOME LOANS BATTLE

Banks withdraw from the fray

The hattle in the High Street is in a lull. The banks have withdrawn from their major and are taking stock; for, while they have gained market share, so that by the end of this year they are expected to have 15 per cent of home loans, the banks are not making money on the And so, instead of being orced to compete with banks who were prepared to lend 100



Marriage of convenience: a link between the Co-op Bank and Abbey National

HOME LOANS 1981 – 1983

O determine	Monetary ¹ Sector	Building Societies	Others ²	Total
Outstanding end-1980	3.0 (6%)	42.7 (8 2 %)	6.6 (12%)	··· 52,3 (100%)
Increase in:				
1981	+2.7 (27%) (+90%)	+6.3 (64%)	+0.8 (9%)	+9.8 (100%)
1982	(+90%) +4.3 (33%)	(+15%) +7.5 (58%)	(+12%) +1,2 (9%)	(+19%) +13.0 (100%)
	(+75%)	(+15%)	(+16%)	(+21%)
1983	+3.0 (21%) (+30%)	+10.0 (70%) (+18%)	+1.3 (9%) (+15%)	+14.3 (100%) (+19%)
	<u>`</u> . '	(+ 1070) .	(+1379)	(+1976)
Outstanding	13.0 (15%)	66.5 (74%)	9.9 (11%)	89.4 (100%)

one stage the banks were taking at least a third of new mortgage

The building societies had created the vacuum that the is not thought likely to create a banks were able to fill. Because revival in housebuilding on the of the desire to maintain their scale seen in the thirties, also a liquidity ratios, the societies time of innovation in the were rationing money, and a shortage probably persisted for most of the 1970s, following the house price surge of 1972-73. housing finance market. At that time it was building society practice that changed because of Other institutions were slow and low interest rates.

to fill the gap, lagging behind those in other western coun-In its review, "Mortgage For example, in the tries. leading and the housing mar-United States banks supply 17 ket", last September the Bank of per cent of house mortgages, England Bulletin stated: "Sev-and in France the latest figure is eral of the features of the thirties are lacking today. Interest rates have fallen in increased availability of funds nominal terms, but remain high has been a rise in individuals' in real terms by standards of the income gearing of about 50 per seventies. Real incomes are not

per cent of the money for house

that the banks, too, are taking a more prudent line. Rationing by

percentage is again the norm.

The high level of interest rates has dulled the institutions'

keenness for the fray. And the

decline in the savings ratio

means that the focus is now on

sources of funds. But the two

vears or so of fierce competition have left permanent changes in

the attitudes of banking and

building societies, as well as

with the consumer. Last year mortgages accounted for 26 per

The increase in market share

it was 6 per cent in 1980 -

hides the speed of growth. At

cent of bank lending.

purchase, the societies now find

Hence, the political sensitivity land is in rather inelastic about mortgage rates, even if supply. The housing stock is the amount of change in high in comparison to the monthly payments on rises in population aged over nineteen terest rates is small by recent standards." So.
But the extra money around pressure on house prices, and

sums could result. This year the banks' share of new mortgage business is expected to fall back to around 20 per cent. The banks were probably surprised by the speed. at which they reached their targets; yet there is no danger of

their leaving the market. better position to attract deposits at a time of low interest rates, and are competing harder on the advances side. The banks will nevertheless have more than quadrupled their outstanding mortgage advances in only three years, and clearly intend to remain a major force in the cent between 1978 and 1981, rising strongly, and building

gages has ebbed. The banks are under constant scrutiny and

world recession and the international debt problems of developing countries are creating financial pressures. The banks are seeking both to offer services for which they can charge fees, and to attract money on which they can

which can introduce the threat

of taxation. At the same time.

Housing continues to be centre of profit as it is the major source of capital outlay for the individual. The banks are Christopher Johnson, Lloyds exploring the idea of providing Bank's economist. But he one-stop-shopping - from house believes that the banks' share selection through to finance for will fluctuate with changing purchase of the building and for

taking advantage of their greater

flexibility on lending.

Midland has bought a 35 per cent stake in an estate ager that operates in the North and the Midlands. National Westminster has become involved with the Team Association. which markets for a chain of independent estate agents. Lloyds Bank was the first into this area, setting up Black Horse

Agencies last May. In their search for new products, the building societies and the banks are even trying tentative liaisons in the market place - a reflection of the radical thinking going on in

both groups.

Last month Nottingham

Building Society and the Bank of Scotland, in conjuction with computerized home banking and shopping service. Homelink customers will be able to check their building society and bank accounts on a terminal screen, and transfer funds, pay bills and order goods with a range of suppliers as well as book holidays and order travel-

Abbey National has a link with the Co-op Bank, which will provide a clearing service for the Abbey's Cheque-Save building societies are continu- central clearing system has ing to offer new products even greatly inhibited the building though the battle over mort- societies' entry into the cheque

Midland Bank and the Nationwide. Westminster and the National Provincial Building Society have joined forces to issu Access credit cards to the building society's customers.

It remains to be seen how far the societies will pursue these avenues towards expansion into banking

As to the banks, they may not be as large in the mortgage business as they seem - not all the money raised this way from bank mortgages went on hous-ing - but they are undoubtedly here to stay. It should not be forgotten that this is not entirely

Sally White

First-time buyers in the MORTGAGE AVAILABILITY

Society	Mortg Repayment	age Rate Endowment	Starting Point for Higher Rates	Waiting Time	*Maximum % Advance	Membership	Advance as multi of salary
Halifax	10%	10.25%	-	4 – 6 weeks	80%	6 - 12 months	3 times larger + 1 times smaller 21/2 times
Abbey National	10%	10.25%	£25,000	12 weeks	70% (more for first time buyers)	6 months	larger + 1 times smaller 21/2 to 23/4 times
Nationwide	10%	10.25%	-	8 weeks	normal terms	6 - 12 months	larger + 1 times smaller 21/2 times
_eeds Permanent	10%	10.25%	-	6 - 8 weeks	up to 95%	6 months	larger + 1 times smaller 21 _b to 23 _b times
Voolwich	10%	10.25%	- .	6 - 10 weeks	up to 90%	6 - 12 months	larger + 1 times smaller

*all societies say that the maximum percentage advance will vary according to the borrower and the property. In all cases the situation at individual branches will vary.

SOCIETIES

Breaking down the traditional role

Building societies should be the most democratic of our financial institutions. They describe savers as members and invite them to attend annual general meetings. In theory members can vote in, or out, any main board director of a society and, in theory, get themselves

But according to Mr Richard Weir, secretary general of the Building Societies Association: already there - the sad thing is that the vast majority of members don't seem interested in exercising their rights. There is a certain amount of apathy on the part of members."

What Mr Weir says is correct but it will cut little ice with that old campaigner Mr Paul Twyman, the civil servant economist, who has been the scourge of the Anglia Building Society since 1978. Mr Twyman campaigned against the Anglia's merger with the Hastings and Thanet Building Society, but since its takeover of the London and South England he has been invited onto the enlarged Anglia board.

Despite what the societies may say it is rare for a commoner to battle his way onto the board of a leading financial, institution. Most people are too afraid to take on the might of an established board which is often stuffed to the gills with many well known names from the world of industry and business.

Another member who prepared to fight it out with his get onto the institution's board.

Mr. Twyman and Mr Punt have done their best to shatter building society movement



members to get elected to the Mr Richard Weir: "The sad thing is that the vast majority of board of a building society is members don't seem interested in exercising their members are interested in exercising the exercising their members are interested in exercising the exercising their members are interested in exercising their members are interested in exercising the exercising the exercising their members are interested in exercising the exercising

which, until the last five years staff increased by 50 per cent to or so, had virtually gone its own 55,773 in 1981. way for the past 200 years. The movement became a

It is, perhaps, only since the first real house price boom of institutions but somehow build-1972-3 that the public at large ing societies were regarded as began to question the role of being much closer to the public

Suddenly there was a scramble to buy property - any type of property. And during the mid 1970s the societies showed their true colours: they were only in the business of lending money for the purchase of "respectable" homes in gations of the so-called red-lining made national news and word spread among young buyers that such and such a

biggest expansion it had ever known. Since 1976 the number the cosy existence of the of branches almost doubled to around 6,500 and its full-time

major force within financial beign to question the role of building societies and their attitudes to lending.

A combination of soaring inflation and government legislation pushed more and more young people into the home.

young people into the homeowning market. Gone were the
days when a young couple
would save for years to buy a
new house when they married.
Today's young wanted a home
now — and they were not
prepared to wait for it.

Studdenty the market into their
traditional home loans business
the societies remain extremely
resilient and resistant to change.
Despite the reforms of the
building societies constitution
called for in the Spalding
committee report which would allow the movement greater flexibility and a wider brief, they are at heart conservative.

Flamboyant gimmicks like cheque books and credit serve only as a smokescreen and were lending money for the purchase of mespectable homes in the banks. Building societies are respectable locations. Alle- in business to lend money for house-buying which is financed by attracting investors to save

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NEW BUSINESS It is pleasing to report that in 1982 the new annual premium income for ordinary business assurances and annuities, including executive pension schemes, amounted to over £14M an increase of over 15% on 1981. The main areas of improvement were unit-linked assurance and pensions contracts and endowment assurances.

INVESTMENTS The Society continued to invest heavily in fixed interest stocks in the early months of last year but after their strong rise we directed funds into equity markets, particularly overseas.

We invested a total of £146M during 1982 of which £30M was invested in fixed interest securities, £5M in index-linked securities, £34M in UK ordinary shares, £67M overseas and £10M in property.

The success of our long-term investment policy has recently been pinpointed in independent performance surveys, notably for unit-linked contracts and Managed Pension Funds.

FUNDS The ordinary long-term insurance funds, including unitlinked business and Managed Pension Fund business, now exceed £2,291M. The funds first exceeded £1,000M in 1978 and have thus more than doubled in only four years.

The total assets of the Group exceed £3,000M.

NEW PRODUCTS Throughout 1982 the design and planning of new products continued. Two new ordinary business contracts were introduced, the Balanced Investment Plan which is a single premium investment providing a balance between income and capital appreciation over a ten year period and the Privilege Extension Plan which allows policyholders to invest part of the proceeds of maturing policies in the Society's unit-linked investment funds on favourable terms and without loss of tax advantages.

We also revised our oldest unit-linked contract, the Investor Policy, introduced in 1966 and linked to the top performing Investor Policy Fund.

COMMISSION The Society stands firmly by the principle of control of the level of commission payments, preferably by industry-

Following the abandonment of the Commissions Agreement at the end of 1982 we have participated with several other leading offices in a new informal agreement. The main change to the pre-existing scale has been the introduction of differential commissions to registered insurance brokers and to full-time intermediaries thus recognising the greater expertise and commitment to the life market of these intermediaries and the higher costs incurred by brokers as a result of registration, a development which we feel should be encouraged.

SURRENDER VALUES The fall in interest rates has enabled the Society to improve its surrender values, in some cases by as much as 14%, thus illustrating our continuing intention to deal equitably with all our policyholders, including those who, for one reason or another, terminate their contracts prematurely.

SERVICE We are constantly aware of the need for speedy and accurate administration of all our business and the provision of adequate technical support for our agents.

New versatile Displaywriters have been installed at the Branches and a powerful additional computer has been installed at Head Office, the first of its kind to be installed anywhere in Scotland. Our continual aim is to optimise the service we provide while minimising our expenses,

The Society, along with other members of the Associated Scottish Life Offices, has become a member of the Insurance Ombudsman Bureau. This development will, we hope, give our policyholders even greater confidence of achieving satisfaction in the handling of complaints.

FUTURE OUTLOOK Although new business may be affected by the commissions problem we intend to maintain our position among the first rank of life assurance companies. We expect to continue our expansion, particularly in the unit-linked field, while for pensions business the emphasis will continue to be on service and investment expertise for Managed Funds and Group Schemes and on the competitiveness of our executive and self-employed pension plans. We have shown over the last few years that progress can be made even in difficult times given a skilled marketing team backed up by good product design and efficient service, and we are confident that this will continue to be the case.



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STC's freedom from US starts expansion drive

Thousands of new jobs could be created if businessmen were alive to the opportunities which will arise from new technology, according to Sir Kenneth Corfield, chairman of Standard Telephones and Cables, the electricals group.

He is convinced that Britain is on the verge of a potentially enormous turnround if comenormous turnround if com-panies take advantage of the opportunities which will arise from developing and managing new technology. "The tragedy is that many businessmen do not know where to look to create the new jobs," Sir Kenneth says. Freed from the shackles of its former American parent com-pany, International Telephone and Telegraph. (TIT), which

pany, international felephone and Telegraph, (ITT), which effectively relinquished control of STC after a share sale last autumn, Sir Kenneth is determined to make sure that STC does make the most of these opportunities. He sees his role as that of an "ideas man" and "motivator" who can spot those opportunities which can be best exploited by the STC group.

His first task was to embark on a huge restructuring of the STC group, by decentralizing its operations into six main div-isions. He puts the final touches to the reorganization programme in September when the sixth division, STC Technology, is formally established. The new division will embrace ST Laboratories, and the group's new product development and factory automation systems

The other key groupings will centre around telecommunications, including defence; international communications; component distribution; business systems and international Aeradio, which was bought from British Airways for £60m

last month.

Traditionally, STC has con-centrated on developing and selling ITT technology in Britain while building up strong telecommunications and cable systems businesses of its own. However, in its centenary year STC is no longer faced with the constraints of being owned by a US parent. Now the aim is to expand rapidly as an international high technology com-

pany.
The furious pace of change envisaged by Sir Kenneth makes recent bullish profits



Corfield: man of ideas, spotter of opportunities

looking for pretax profits this businesses year of about £90m against last world. The pro

From what Sir Kenneth says STC's turnover from detence businesses alone is growing at the rate of 30 per cent a year. One contract for radiation proof optical fibres which could go to STC if a pilot study is successfully completed could be worth £300m to dwarf last year's £60m of defence sales of the groun.

across the group. STC has also been quietly building its optical fibre manufacturing capacity so it is ready to take advantage of the anticipated boom in demand as Britain is recabled for the information technology revolution. "BICC talks about its new optical fibre facilities but it hasn't built them yet", Sir Kenneth says.

STC already has 25;000km of capacity and is building towards capacity of 50,000km a year even though demand is at present languishing in the region of 5,000km a year. Sir Kenneth's lateral thinking

also means that STC is now a front runner in another industry of the future, the manufacture of solid state laser systems. "We are as advanced as anybody in Europe in this field," he says.

The rapid growth generated internally will be complemented by a continuing programme of acquisition of high technology businesses which fit STC's ambitions. At present the group is poorly represented overseas where its interests were pre-viously handled by ITT. STC was also obliged to refrain from tively bearish. Analysts are competing directly with ITT

The process of acquisition began when STC announced the purchase of international Aerathe sky is almost the limit dio, the British Airways, high STC's turnover from defence technology and communitechnology and communi-cations subsidiary, for £60m last month. In Sir Kenneth's book IAL represented an almost identikit STC purchase. The company has a strong high technology base, employs 4,500 highly skilled people and has a strong skilled people and has a

strong overseas presence.
Future acquisitions will be in the same mould - either strong in high technology or overseas representation and with a minimum turnover of £10m. "We are extremely unlikely to move into biotechnology in a big way but we will be in advanced electronics technology and software tech-nology," he says. But Sir Kenneth does not

want to be seen as a stock market predator. "We want to be wanted" he explains. For this reason it is unlikely that STC will use its cash reserves which are replenished day by day from crop of cash-generating businesses to launch an unwanted bid for a rival elec-

tronics company. However, there will be opportunities for acquisition if secondary wave of collapses in British industry is proved correct. He speaks with conviction - and as a director of Midland Bank - when he warns that a second wave of companies will collapse once the recession ends, not because of poor housekeeping, but because there is no demand for their products. Many of these com-

panies will have high tech-nology divisions which could be of interest to STC, he suggests

All this means that the STC that Sir Kenneth hands over when he retires as chairman in five years will be vastly different from the organization he inherited when he joined the company from ITT in the early

He has already begun the search for a successor as chief executive of the company and plans to relinquish those respo sibilities in two years time if he can find the right person.

The priority when Sir Kenneth joined the company was to eliminate heavy losses particularly in its defence business. His draconian solution was to pull out of defence completely where STC was constantly over running on costs and had weaker contacts at the Ministry of Defence than its rivals, partly because of STC's America

parentage.

And despite the fact that STC had been in Britain since 1883 Sir Kenneth was to be dogged time and time again by the stigma of ITT's ownership when tendering for government contracts. The most recent example came when STC's rivals launched what he de-scribed as an "overt and convert" campaign against STC over the allocation of work for the System X advanced electronic telephone exchange. In the autumn of last year British Telecom decided to concentrate production of the exchange with GEC and Plessey.

Critics hilled the decision as a blow to STC's fortunes, but Sir the decision could be a blessing in disguise. Orders won from British Telecom for traditional TXE4A exchanges as compensation for the loss of the System X contract could be worth nearly £1,000m by the end of the decade if there are any further delays in introducing System X.

The only tie with ITT these Sir Kenneth's theory about a days stems from a 20 year agreement to share and invest in new ITT technology and the influence of three ITT nominated directors on the 15-man STC board.

> It is this new-found freedom and the more flexible structure for the group which will provide the basis for future expansion.

Andrew Cornelius

Economic notebook

'Protection' that spells disaster

today about free trade than lmost any other subject. Basically, we are all in favour of it, but we are all undermin-

Take the news that American unions and congressmen are ganging up to prevent British Steel exporting slab steel from Ravenscraig to be finished in the United States. They want swingeing new

tariffs. You can see their point. BSC's Mr Ian MacGregor has apparently found a way round last year's US/EEC steel quota agreements. But these were hashed up after the US threatened to impose prohibitive taxes on imports from European state enterprises on the somewhat idealogical ground that any losses met by

the state were subsidies. It is right to comdemn these American pressures, part of a general protectionist drive. But at least there is little compelling economic reason why there should be a regular trade exporting European crude

steel across the Atlantic.

Back at home, the Severn-Trent Water Authority is planning to drain 6.00 acres of water meadows in Leicestershire at a cost of £66.4m of public money. If successful, it could raise wheat output by 5,000 tonnes a year. At the same time, President Reagan is paying American farmers large sums to keep good wheat land fallow to ease the American grain surplus. Yet, according to a recent Con wealth Secretariat study, the EEC producers price of wheat has been averaging almost twice the American level. If it were not for hefty protection through the Common Agricultural Policy, we should be growing less wheat, not more. And our landscape and finances would probably be better for

Parliamentary critic Mr Richard Body rightly points out that EEC farm policies, not least on milk and butter, lead to some of the worst and most endemic instances of drouping in the world. It is the same story with

sugar. We have dramatically expanded a barely economic beet industry at the expense of poer tropical countries so that we can, with rare exceptions. pay more for sugar than we d. Regimes to steady agricultural prices and output are one thing. Outrageous

strategic desire for self-sufficiency, which bardly sounds convincing for countries eager Russian gas supplies.

agriculture and protection are even more bizarre than ours. Naturally, leading Japanese industrialists are only too happy to sacrifice local erange-growers to deflect threats from the US to their own export trade.

That might help the sup-posed imbalances in US/Japanese trade, but offers little possibilities for Europe. In-deed the idea that bilateral trade should be in balance is absurd in a complex world free trade system. Yet this is now the peg on which Europe protection against

So-called voluntary agreements, whereby free enterprise countries use state deals or industry cartels to by-pass the market, already cover a long list of goods as well as cars. In the car trade itself, their main effect in Britain is to raise prices cut consumption and divert the import trade to other EEC countries.

The EEC has recently negotiated a whole new list with the Japanese government to limit imports of, among other things light com vehicles, advanced machine tools, fork-lift tracks motor cycles and watches. The most notorious item was video recorders, where the Japanese were required to raise prices by £100 a time and reserve a share of the market for machines made in this country but these are included in the Japanese quota, so Britain is a party to protection against its

These things do no good. The multi-fibre agreement, set np in 1974 as a temporary measure to allow old textile industries to adjust, has simply turned into ever-tighter carbs, even reductions, on imports from developing Far East countries, and has left our own industry in a worse mess than before as a new queue of yet cheaper producers undermines Hong Kong and

We are gradually converting the world into trading blocks in particular building barriers against the Far East, So much for free trade.

Graham Searjeant

New Throgmorton Trust PLC The pro forma net asset value attributable to each new

Capital Share to be issued under the terms of the reconstruction, based on the company's balance sheet as 31.3.83, was 58p per Share.

Blagden Industries PLC

Year ended December 26th	1982	1981
•	£0000's	£000's
Profit before texation	1,743	2,006
Profit after taxation	1,479	1,220
Dividends per share	6.0p	6.0p
Earnings per share	12.5p	8.5p
Net assets per share	137p	132p

Group turnover was a record £62.176 million and was 6% higher than that achieved in the previous year but profitability was affected by tighter margins. The balance sheet of the group remains strong with borrowings some £250,000 lower than they were at the end of the previous year and we continue to enjoy a low debt to equity ratio. Since early February there has been some upturn in demand accompanied by signs of an improvement in business confidence. If this trend continues we are strongly placed to take advantage of it and can expect to have a much more successful year.

A. R. Sparrow, Chairman,

Manufacturing in the UK

contributed over £1 million in profits with exports at an all-time record reports lan B Church, Chairman

 Pre-tax profits increased by 19% to £1.85 million on sales up 10%. An increased final dividend makes a 9.5p total against 8.5p in

 USA, Belgium and France did well and Canada improved in the second half.

 1983 has started well with a distinct improvement in retailing and the factories are busy. I expect increased profits provided retail trading continues to prosper.

Comparative results	1982	1981
Sales Trading profit Interest payable Profit before tax Earnings per share	£m 39.06 2.63 8.775 1.85 22.7 ₉	£m 35.6 2.26 0.705 1.56 20.2p

Report and accounts will be posted to shareholders on 13th April 1983. Church & Co. PLC.,



Test players get

pay rise to £1,500

EQUESTRIANISM: BADMINTON HORSE TRIALS

Looking for horses that pack Olympic power

trial for the European Champion-ships in Switzerland in August the selectors will also have the Los

McGuigan's obvious target now is the European title held by the Italian Loris Stecca, but McGuigan's manager, Mr Barney Eastwood, is cautious on this subject. He knows that Belfast could be autified by the Lighter for much

outbid by the Italians for such a

contest, and he also knows that

McGuigan praised

Version Penprase, who lost the port, promptly retired from the ring vacant British featherweight title after his crushing defeat by the man fight to Barry McGuigan on from the Border town of Clones. It

caught Penprase flush on the chin
Penrase, aged 24, from Devon- and he went down in a heap.

vacant British featherweight title fight to Barry McGuigan on Tucsday night, believes the talented Irishman will win the world title, an opinion backed by John Stracey, the former welterweight champion.

Stracey seemed surprised by 22-year-old McGuigan's consistent quality as he floored Penprase twice on his way to victory with ten seconds of the second round remaining at the Ulster Hall, Belfast, Stracey said: "All McGuigan wants is a bit more experience."

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By contrast McGuigan can look the 1980 title winner, and Peru's forward to a glittering career. He Pablo Arraya have both been "wild-hurt Penprase with the first punch carded" into next week's Bourne-of the fight, a left jab, and continued mouth tournament, spousored by

By Jenny MacArthur

Green, heads the 71 starters in the Badminton Horse Trials which begin today. Whitbread, the sponsors, have considerably increased the prize-money and this year's winner of the Whitbread Trophy will receive £5,000 (an increase of £2,000).

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Althorsh Radminton is the main trial for the European Championships in Switzerland in August the selectors will also have the Los Angeles Olympics firmly in their sights. They will be looking particularly for experienced riders on up-and-coming horses which should be at their peak by July.

Mrs Green is aiming for her fifth Badminton win and her chances of achieving it look good. She has two rides, Regal Realm, her world champion partner, and Beagle Bay, now aged 13, on whom she won Burghley last Soptember, Regal Realm, her world champion partner, and Beagle Bay, now aged 13, on whom she won Burghley last Soptember, Regal Realm, her world champion partner, and Beagle Bay, now aged 13, on whom she won Burghley last Soptember, Regal Realm is the more consistent of the two but Beagle Bay on form is as good as any. Last year they were seventh and eighth respectively.

Rachel Bayliss and Virginia Hodaying horses with wing store of the proposition of the younger horses in the field who is citill improved to the proposition of the pounger horses in the field who

Holgate, Mrs Green's team colleagues at the world championships in Luhmuhlen, took strong contenders. It will probably be the last time Miss Bayliss attempts Badminton on her courageous Mystic Minstrel as she is hoping to ease thim more towards dressage, a discipline at which they excel. They were third last year and if victory came their way this time it would be a fitting tribute to a great partnership.

The selectors have told Miss Holgate that there is no need to run her championship ride, Priceless, at Badminton. Instead she is riding Might Cap, who at 10 is a more than competent second string.

The fourth member of last year's

IN BRIEF

RUGBY LEAGUE: Great Britain

yesterday announced their 26-strong amateur under-19 squad to tour New Zealand this summer. The

party leaves on July 2 and returns



Mrs Green and Killaire splash to victory in 1979

picks all the easier but more timeconsuming alternatives it is less demanding than usual, but there will be plenty of opportunity for

Courage."
The Pig Sty fence, which caused some trouble last year, remains but because the course is run the opposite way this time (clockwise) opposite way this time (clockwise) the big spread comes first. One of the most impressive of the new fences is the New Moon (fence 12) at the bottom of the crooked S slope. "It is," the director says. "A fence where fortune will favour the bold".

For the first time four fences have

been constructed for con reasons with the idea of focusing people's attention on three worthy causes. They are fence 7 (the British International Equestrian Fund), fence 18 (the British Field Sports Society), and fences 21 and 22 (the Grand National appeal). The BIEF need money to go

towards sending Britain's riders to the Olympics and the BFSS require funds to help them in their fight to

TENNIS

US money soars

\$2m will be offered at the United States Open championships from August 30 to September 11. Last

August 30 to September 11. Last year the purse was \$1.5m. The increase is 32 per cent. The men's and women's singles winners will receive \$120,000, compared with \$90,000 last year.

Rex Bellamy writes: The total of \$2.001.000 (£1,290,968 converted at 1.55) consists of £1,165,161 in prizemoney and combined additional payments of £125,806 to the grand payments of £125,806 to the grand prix bonus pool and the Association of Tennis Professionals. The singles events receive £412,903 each, the doubles £103,226 each, the mixed doubles £32,258. The men's qualifying competition carries £41,290, the women's £20,645 and the senior

Carling Bassett, a 15-year-old Canadian, beat the sixth seed, Virginia Ruzici, of Romania, in the second round of the WTA of the fight, a left jab, and continued to hurt him every time he landed. State Express. The third wild card place will be given to a British player to be nominated by the team second round of the WTA championship here. Miss Bassett

Rosalyn Fairbanks, in the Hilton Head Island tournament last week before losing to West Germany's

AMELIA ISLAND, Florida: WTA Champk ships, first round (US unless statid): M Fistale bt F Raschlatore, 6-1, 4-6, 8-1; Budaravo (C2) bt C Vanier (Fr), 6-3, 6-3; Gadusek bt C Montairo (Br), 6-3, 6-3; Leand bt R Tomanova (C2) 5-7, 8-2, 5-1; Rankin bt J KSpb. 7, 5-8-9, Varmente K

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SQUASH RACKETS

Jahangir may be severely tested

England's Test cricketers are to have a pay rise this summer.

Cornhill, the Test sponsors, announced in London yesterday that the march see would rise by £100 to £1,500 for the four Tests against New Zealand this summer. Bob Willis, or his successor as England's captain, will also receive a boost, from £1,610 per game to £1,725.

Cornhill are also changing the prize money available. In the past only the England team were eligible for win bonuses. This summer £5,000 will be awarded for each Test won by either England or New Zealand, but there will be no prize money for winning the series.

Clourestershire have drawn up a scheme to attract families and those out of work to home games this summer. For the price of two adult tickets the club will allow two Cumulative ripples of optimism have been spreading through this year's British Open championships sponsored by Davies and Tate at the Derby Assembly Rooms. The dramatically designed hall is the most appropriate yet seen for professional squash, and the one-way viewing Perspex is another in a payment to England's 12th man up from £490 to £525; umpires' match fee £1,125 (from £1,050); player of the match £500 (£350) and player of trying to become the first home player in 22 years to bring the women's title back from Australia. player in 22 years to bring the women's title back from Australia.

Too much is probably being hoped for too soon. Although the attendances have generally been larger than last year, the steep-raked sents were disappointingly half eimpty for Tuesday's semi-finals. The court has become sanudged since it was first unveiled 21 Chichester three weeks ago, and there are no clear reasons either whin last year's final when she creditably lost 3-1 to Vicki Cardwell, the holder.

Indeed, it is possible the men's final between the other holder.

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Indeed, it is possible the men's final between the other holder, Jahangir Khan, and Gamal Awad, of Egypt, may be at least as well contested. The steady improvement which the smallest and fastest man on the circuit has made since being supplemented by the brains of lease. Beginner as a list adviser in a 45 over match with five the series £1,000 (£700).

supplemented by the brains of Jonah Barrington as his adviser, may now be presenting Jahangir with a genuinely testing rival for the

Roshan's famous cousin, Hashim, won the vintage event for the sixth time by beating Trevor Millican. a Queenslander goat farmer, in five fascinating games; Ken Hiscoe, one of the original four touring professionals, won the veterans, and today Barrington tries to win the over-35 final against Ahmed Safwat of Egypt.

Barrington's win, at the age of 42, against another Egyptian, Ali Aziz, still the world's number 16, was arguably Tuesday night's most

arguably Tuesday night's most attractive match.

The chances of success of Miss Opie, the other home player trying for a title, depend absolutely on her ability to produce her most fluent and attractive strokes at the right moment. Her opponent, Mrs Cardwell, remains one of the most athletic women the game has ever seen, and Miss Opie, though claiming to be fitter than last year, is unlikely to survive a game of attrition

celebration party at her Mottingha home, as a going away present for her rival. But the likelihood is the Australian will finish her last British Open with her title intact, and the party will be a pleasant way of drowning British sorrow. RESILTS: Mea's semi-finet J Khan (Pak) cent C Zamen (Pak), 9-8, 9-5, 9-2. Women's semi-finet-V Cardwell (Aus) best M is Molgnan (Bb), 9-1, 9-2, 9-10, 9-3.

AUSTRALIA:

money for winning the series.
Other increases announced were:

Total (9 wkts) . FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-67, 3-108, 107, 5-108, 6-118, 7-144, 8-167, 9-168. BOWLING: De Mei, 9-2-35-2; John, 9-1-33-2; Ratnayaka, 9-1-44-0; Renatunge, 9-1-25-2; De Silva 9-0-21-2.

here yesterday, beating them by two wickets in a 45-over match with five a one-day international. They then had a middle order batting collapse, with five wickets falling for 112 runs and it was left to the tail-enders balls to spare. The Australian captain Greg Chappell, won the toss and decided to bat on an easy-paced The Australian fast bowler Dennis Lillee, recovering from a knee injury he suffered in Australia, bowled at half-pace and failed to take a wicket in his nine overs for 25 runs. The left arm serious Toand decided to bat on an easy-paced wicket. But accurate bowling by the Sri Lankans restricted the Austra-lians to 168 for nine wickets. The Sri Lankans then pulled off a thrilling and unexpected triumph when they reached [69 for eight on the first ball of the last over. An opening partnership of 68 by Sidath runs. The left arm spinner Tom Hogan was the most bowler for the visitors,

summer. For the price of two adult tickets the club will allow two

children to watch John Player matches free. Those out of work will

be allowed into the ground at half the normal price for all other county

Sri Lanka will warm up for the Prudential World Cup by playing a combined Berkshire, Buckingham-shire and Oxfordshire XI at reading

on Thursday, May 26. Somerset will play at Kidmore End in Oxfordshire on Sunday, June 12, as part of the testimonial for Brian Rose, the

Yorkshire have signed a £25,000 sponsorship agreement with Servo-warn, the gas central heating

Wettimuny (37) and Susil Fernando (31) set Sri Lanka on course for their first victory over the Australians in

BOWLING R Hood, 8-0-40-2; J Maguire, 8.1-0-43-2; D Lilies, 9-0-25-0, G Chappell, 9-2-21-1, T Hogan, 9-1-27-3.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Sri Lankan surprise

FOOTBALL
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Newcastie
v Everion (7.0); Sheffield Wednesday v Leeds
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Coppell may miss rest of season

By Simon O'Hagan

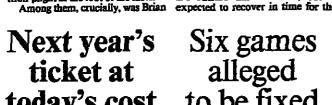
The doubts about the long-term fitness of Steve Coppell, the Manchester United and England winger, resurfaced yesterday with the news that the knee injury which has troubled him since the World Cup almost a year ago could keep him out of action for the rest of the

Cup semi-final on Saturday between United and Arsenal. Now he will probably miss the final on May 21. should United reach it. An exploratory operation on the knee this week should reveal the extent of time he has been troubled by it is anything to go by, the outcome

The problem began before England played what turned out to be their last match in Spain, against the hosts. Coppell's swollen knee ruled him out of th game, but it was not until the start of this season, by hen he had still not recovered, th injury became apparent. Since returning to the United side he has looked as quick and mobile as ever and he and his manager. Rom Atkinson, were convinced his was complete. Now they

full-strength squad for the Arsenal a tuit-strength squad for the Arsenar game after all. At various stages of the season be has been beset by injuries to Wilkins, Moran and Robson, but with Robson's muchraided return to the side OIL reshuffling appeared to be over. Still spare a thought for Luton own. Their ambition - mere urvival in the first division - may ibler than United's, but the crop of injuries which afflicted them yesterday will be just as damaging. Four men queued up for the for the 3-1 win over Birmingham on Tuesday which did so much to ease their plight at the foot of the table. e plight at the foot of the table.

Devonshire has influenza, but is expected to recover in time for the



out a £32,000 debt by the end of this month. The Scottish first division from the Scottish first division club owe Dundee United £22,000 for the transfer of Willie Pettigrew and Celtic £10,000 for Roddie McDonald. They have devised a scheme in which season tickets for 1983-84 are available at this year's prices.

With Hearts poised to return to the premier division next season, that represents a saving of about £32 to the customers. Wallace Mercer. he club's chairman, said: Supporters have until the end of month to put down the money If they buy a season ticket now it will cost £44 whereas by next autumn it will probably be around

our intentions to keep young talent at the club by arranging new contracts for five of our brightest prospects. Now the fans and sharcholders must make their

subject to rescrutiny

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Southampton will have their first capacity crowd of the season for the visit of Liverpool on Saturday.

The all-ticket game at The Dell is a

25,000 sell-out. The previous best of

Alf Grey, from Great Yarmouth

will referee the FA Cup Final at Wembley on May 21. Mr Grey, who has been on the FIFA panel since

1977, will be officiating at Wembley

1972 FA Amateur Trophy Final and

the 1981 Charty Shield game.

He has been on the Football
League list since 1972, having
started refereeing in Norfolk in
1960. This will be his final season as

a senior official because he will have reached the retiring age before the start of the 1983-84 season.

His linesmen at Wembley will be

Liverpool will be certain of winning the first division championship if they beat Southampton at the Dell on Saturday. The inevitable was brought a little closer on Tuesday when Liverpool drew, somewhat uneasily, at Coventry. Their record at Highfield Road is less impressive than at many grounds they regularly travel to.

Bob Paisley, whose managerial

Bob Paisley, whose managerial career is set to reach its climax with

another triumph by the club he has served so loyally, had to admit: "We got a point and that's all you can

Say."
England's midfield player Sammy

the 1981 Charity Shield game.

He was senior linesman for the

for the fifth time.

Stein, the club's leading scorer this season and only just back in the side Saturday. Also in line for a return is Mark Dennis, the Birmingham City season and only just oack in the side Saturday. Also in time for a return is after two months of injury. Both he Mark Dennis, the Birmingham City and Antic have ankle trouble, Hill a Mark Dennis, the Birmingham City and Antic have ankle trouble, Hill a Money an him well out of things; he missed the Achilles tendon injury. None is match at Luton and the 4-0 defeat at certain of playing at Notts County home to Norwich City.

United defender, may undergo a cartilage operation after being injured during a reserve game on rest of the season. His team-mate

Alf Grey to alleged referee the **Cup Final** today's cost to be fixed

Italian League first division clash between Internazionale and Genoa on March 27 was fixed has led to matches last month. The Italian FA are inquiring into allegations over the match at Genoa on which an FA

Last night's results COTTISH SECOND DIVISION: Africon Rovers Condemberth 0: Meadowbark Thistie 1. RUGBY UNION

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A blurred picture on the Torrance moves into public's right to view

Imagine the reaction if a member of Parliament rose in the House to state that such was the popularity of roast pork among ordinary people that is, nearly everyone who does not keep a piglet or two in the back garden - the price should be artifically maintained in the shops at one quarter of its proper commercial value.

You would suppose, and you would be right, that all those pig breeders among Mrs T's back benchers (and there are not a few) would shout "down with ordinary people and up with the price", supported no doubt by their rural Liberal

reaction the other day - indeed, I think I heard the yawn in Hertfordshire – when a Tory member demanded that football must not be allowed to disappear from our television screens, no matter what, his inference being that there was some kind of electronic public right of way at Anfield or Highbury, never mind that the wages have to be paid. Now you and I and sayone in football with any sense – at

the last count they could all comfortably meet in a minibus known that the more that football is televised, the less poeple will be persuaded to leave their comfortable homes, park their cars a mile from the ground, run the gauntlet of Apache teenagers, pay high prices for often low entertainment and just make it back home to a habitable loo before their bladder burst.

It is symptomatic of the confused state of the game that within days of the publication of the Chester Report Mk II a dispute which could break up the Football League has broken out over televised soccer – which is not even mentioned in the report.

It can hardly be denied that the contract with BBC/ITV which expires at the end of this season, the projected two-year improved offer of 25.3m and the rival Telejector bid of £8m are all a nonsense for the leading clubs whose matches form the staple screen diet.

If there is any good likely to come out of the dispute it is that, in conjunction with the probable rejection of much of even the latest milk-and-water Chester recommendations, the television issue will oblige the large clubs to break away from

the Football League after 95 deal is for them to come with two concessions: on shirt years and create the controversial but much to be desired super league of big city, financially viable teams. The present BBC/ITV contract, divided by 92 clubs, is worth a mere £25,000 each per

DAVID MILLER

push that up to £28,800 or £1,370 per home game. Each club, even in the fourth division, only needs to fill another few hundred seats per game to counterbalance that paltry sum, which the small clubs especially would probtelevision of doing trade-offs at way below the going rate. "you take our football match, we'll ably do were there no tele-vision. The Telejector offer is worth £43,480 per club per season, or £2,070 per home take your ice dancing". game, still insignificant.

Fantasy

The television issue precisely illustrates the absurd anachronism of a 92-club League in tances of prese the circu rcial forces. The profit from television for the big clubs is not the share of the contract but the income from perimeter advertising which can be worth £100,000 per season. Although it is a pres fantasy that Tottenham, Liverpool, Manchester United and Arsenal have formed an inner circle power group to oppose Telejector - and no such allegiance has been formed - it can be said with confidence that Telejector have no chance because perimeter advertising revenue would immediately drop to, say, £30,000 for an nncertain saloon bar andience who are probably playing darts or watching the stripper,

With only 13 first division clubs needed to block acceptance of Telejector, they will be united in opposing a loss of perhaps £70,000 a year, even if the eight third and fourth division votes, and possibly many second division, would gladly be for Telejector's additional £15,000 per club share of the contract.

advertising and overseas sales. Acceptance of shirt advertising would increase the main sponsors' payment from around £150,000 a season to between £250,000 and £350,000, if West German experience is indicative. An aggressive renegotiation of overseas sales would vastly increase profits - Match of the Day is screened around the be - whereas at the mon

But BBC/IIV do not want to get locked into a long contract with the Football League Ltd in case there is a breakaway by the top clubs.

There can be no doubt that what would be best for the game would be one match live, per channel per week, nego-tiated on a match-by-match basis, with an equal balance of screening among all first division clubs. Liverpool, say, could not afford to have their top four matches against Everton, Manchester United. Tottenham and Arsenal all screened live because it is on the basis of such matches that

Carve-up

Of course, the secon, third and fourth divisions do not want a television carre-up by the top clubs, but if only they recognize that it could rationa their own existence. Promotion and relegation have no benefit to the first division Eric Taylor, of Sheffield Wednesday, long ago said one down was enough - and has only permanently established in the first division two clubs in 20 years from the lower reaches, Ipswich and Sou-thampton. The sooner we have a super league, the sooner we can have sensible finances and

French players threaten to strike Paris (AFP)-The French first division could be thrown into could be thrown into could be thrown into could be thrown into 21, the last day of their league tax relief, as had been promised.

if more than 500 players decide to strike in protest at the introduction new restrictions on wages and transfers for the 1983-84

Colin Downey, from Hounslow, and John Pardo, from Kidderminster, John Connock, of Bristol, Brian Daniels, from ESSEA, was on May 16 and it they come out in referee the FA Vase Final between favour, the strike will hit the last Halesowen Town and VS Rugby at three rounds of the first division Wembley on April 30. Brian Hill, season on May 20, May 24 and June from Kettering, will take charge of 3. The two sections in the second the FA Trophy Final at Wembley on division would also be hit with

week's meeting of League clubs here when experimental measures to put a brake on the constant increase in

French football officials are The strike threat follows last waiting for a meeting with Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy with whom they are due to raise the point of tax

Only three clubs went against the Philippe Piat, the president of the National Union of French Professional Footballers, says the players could be led to strike for the stil under contract will be entitled to first time since 1972 because the

Widnes had two fine chances to

RUGBY UNION

Orrell's power ensures place in Cup final

By Michael Stevenson

Lee: feeling the strain.

Lee summed up the end of season strain when he said: "We just hope we can get the ball in the net at Southampton to settle the championship there." Liverpool have won only once in ten trips to Coventry and the home side could have won if Whitton had FIRST DIVISION: Coventry City 0, Liverpool 0; Luton Town 3, Birmingham City 1.

TUESDAY NIGHT'S RESULTS

Liverpool one win away

from league title

POURTH DIVISION: Colchester 1, Port Vale 2; Darfington 0, Blackgood 1. Darlington II, Blackpool 1.
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Yeovil 2; Weststone 1, Enfield 3; Tellord v
Weymouth postponed. Bob Lord 1 tropby final,
first leg: Rumoom 1, Scarborough 1.

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Masidenhead United 1: Fernborough 3, Lawes

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Wembley 2, Walton and Hershem 3, St. Albama

0, Worthing 1, Oxford City 0, Second distalantHernet Hampstead 0, Dorking 1; Lastenworth

Garden Cdy 3, Were 2, Windsor and Elon 5,

Eastbourne United 0.



WESTERN LEAGUE: Clevedon O, Liskes THEMIAN LEAGUE: Burnham 6, Edgeen Orley 3, Chertsey 3, League Cup, semi-di oddesdon 0, Challont St Peter 3. West rigat a, wanto i.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: Pirat division: Everton 5, Spoke C; Sheffield Wednesday 1, Hundersfeld O.

Second division: Bradford City O.

Rotherham C; Chesterfield 1, Preston 1; Manchester City 4, Notingham Forest 1; Wigan v Port Vale postponed.

RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCHES: Glamorpan Wanders Newbridge postpored. Northernation Leicester 9: Physician Albien 3, Bath 30, LANCASHINE CUP: Semi-finel round: Fyl

RUGBY LEAGUE

SPEED SKATING

Canadians' clean sweep

Nagoya, Japan (AP) - Canadian overall world champion, took the skaters made a clean sweep of all 1,500-metre race in 2:46.44.

Men and women skaters from Australia. Belgium, Canada, China, meeting here yesterday. Louis Grenier, who won the men's overall title at the World short-track speed skating championships in Tokyo last week, just beat Guy Daignault, a fellow countryman, to win the 500-metre event in 46.23sec. Daignault

Earlier in the day at the Nagoya

Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, France, Great Britain, West Germany, The Netherlands, South Korea, pay dearly.
Hurley dispossessed him, Thomas collected as Tiddy tried to
repair the damage, and the Welsh
flanker fed Jones who touched United States and Japan are competing in the two-day meeting.

Horses withdrawn the 1.500-metre competition in 2min 37.33sec.

In the women's contests, Maryse Perreault captured the 500 metres in 51.02sec and Sylvie Daigle, the 1983

the Badminton horse trials last night after one of the toughest veterinary inspections for a long time. The horses are Knights Questar, Queen Hill, Willow Pattern, Seven Com-fort III (USA) and (NZ).

Badminton previous

Widnes by four goals and two penalties to nil at Blundellsands. penalties to nil at Blundellsands.

It is only seven years since Riley was astray with two simply Widnes defeated Ordel in a quarterfinal and went on to win the a post. Prior then put over a suberb Lancashire Cup, but a taxing penalty to make it 12-0 when meeting with Liverpool on Saturday Widnes were penalized for a high did not seem to have disrupted tackle.

Orrell's rhythm and they were soon in daunting control.

Their stand off, Williams, was soon finding prodigious touches down a chip ahead by broke, the pack rucked fast ball and broke the issue. Ruddy found himself unmarked on

Ruddy found himself unmarked on the right to run in an excellent try. Prior converted.

Widnes's answer was admirably positive. Spearheaded by their talented full back Whitefield, they launched a series of lively attacks; if Orrell's well-organized defence had faltered, the fast and constructive Widnes backs would have found the encouragement they needed.

Orrell were soon back on the offensive and should have gone further ahead when Webster drove,

By John Clemison

Weish by a goal, A try and two penalty goals to a goal and two penalty goals.

As soon as Stringer slipped, Welsh would leap into life. When he misjudged a loose ball near his own

22 metre line just thirteen minutes into the game, the Exiles made him

London Welsh...

Weakened Wasps wilt

play with greater commitment than fifteen and had narrowed the deficit to 6-7 with a superb try by Tiddy and a conversion by Stringer.

The loss of Keith Bonner, who was sent off, and of Tiddy, who was carried off with a back injury, proved too great a strain for a depleted Wasps side in a tight merit table game against London Welsh at Sudbury last night. A game that would, according to the form book, end in a draw, was won by London Welsh by a gnal. A try and two Though both sides tried to play open, attacking rugby in the final quarter, it seemed as though the match night be decided on penalty goals alone. Flare-ups were frequent and Mr Mason, the referee, was put to a severe test in his bid to keep

George stretched the Exiles' lead with a penalty goal and then ten minutes from time, the speed of the Welsh passing at last stretched the Wasps' defence to breaking point. David Rees found himself clear on the right wing, made fifty metres, and, as Pellow drove him towards the touchline, he found Hurley in support. Hurley then put George clear for a spectacular try, which George himself converted. In a france last five minutes, Stringer was able to reduce the deficit with

Welsh came just before the interval, two penalty goals. Keith Bonner, a heckless flanker Keith Bonner, a inckless flanker who had come in as a late replacement for Pinnergar, who had been held up in traffic, became only the second Wasps member to be sent off this season after he was involved in a zeries of disagreements with the Weish pack.

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the centre stage

er) - Sam Torrance, of Scotland, lan Woosbam.

The par-72, 7,227-yard course beside the Mediterranean will present a stem test if the present prize money of 52.67 million, begins high winds continue. After damage with the Transition Course here. The with the Tunisian Open here. The to the fairways by winter gates and 29-year-old Ryder Cup international, who won the Spanish and clean and place their balls within

Port el Kantaoui, Tunisia (Reut-er) - Sam Torrance, of Scotland, lan Woosnam. heads the British challenge as the The par-72, 7,227-yard com-

last season, finished third in the official prize money list last year behind Greg Norman of Australia and Britain's Sandy Lyle.

Both Lyle and Norman will miss this event along with the new United States Masters champion Severiano Ballesteros, and Britain's Nick Faldo, who also competed in the final round at Augusta. Among the other leading contenders are Spain's Manuel Pinero, West Germany's Bernhard Langer and



Torrance: faces tough test.

HOCKEY

Australians and Dutch strengthen their position

Australia and the Netherlands This keeps them both at the bottom remained unbeaten in the 12-nation of the table and all but buries their women's World Cup here yesterday of the table and all but buries their women's World Cup here yesterday hopes of cup glory. India, the only and both appeared certain of Asian team in the tournament, must playing in next week's semi finals. Feel particularly disappointed after The Dutch wore down a defensive losing by the odd-goal to both United States and scored the only Australia and the Netherlands in goal 15 minutes from time to draw

I against a determined Scotland. With the other six-nation qualify-Dutch and Australians moved into the lead in their group with five points each from three games, two points ahead of the United States.
The top-seeded Dutch, who have won two of the past three world tournaments, broke a frustraing chances in drandcandamental, Fieke Boekhurst, GROUP & Hollen scored from a penalty corner.

The Australians, who have looked the most impressive in the tournament's first four days, made a good recovery in a rain-hit second half to deny the Scots victory. Sharon Buchanan scored after a dazzing solo run by Sandra Pisani. Scotland, who had given a hint of scotland, who had given a hint of their quality with a draw against the Netherlands on Tuesday, could have won and will hope to keep their paint hopes of a semi-final place alive today when they take on Wales. The Weish drew 1-1 with

their opening matches. Shirley Morgan was on target for Wales.
The focus switches today to the

where rankings have lost meaning. New Zealand, the sixth seeds who top the table with three points from two matches, play England in a vital game for the third seeds who failed to accept a host of chances in draws against Argentina

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England's double success

England's schoolboys achieved a goals in two matches with none notable double yesterday by win-conceded in the under-16 event. ning the home countries under-19 With goals in the first half, from hockey championship in Dublin Robert Moulder and Mark Riley, and the under-16 title at Swansea, England took a grip on the match Sydney Friskin writes. With no and followed up with two goals by more than a point needed to clinch Andrew Bilson in the second half the under-19 title, England drew 1-1 with Ireland at the Pembroke Honderers Club.

England scored first with a well-taken goal by Michael Baxter but prize for the Player of the Liam Canning equalized soon after Tournament. Ireland did not field a second half but failed to convert under-16 event. Second half but failed to convert under-16 event.

At Swansea, England defeated . Linder-18 england 5 points of some heroic defence by Ireland.

At Swansea, England defeated . Sociand, 4:3 freaded 2:4 Wates 2: Frai phenys 1. England, 4 points; 2, Wates 2: 7, Sociand.

Wales 4-0 to finish with a total of 10

FOR THE RECORD

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RASERALI

Boston Celtics 99, New Jersey Nets 92; Atlanta, Hawks 102, Philadelphia 78er3 97; Kansas City Kings 112, Chicago Bulle 102; Los Angoles Lakers 114, Houston Rockets 113; Unit Jezz 125, Danver Huggest 176; Phoenix Suns 115; Goldon State Warriors 106; Sentile Supersonics 106, Portend Trail Biozons 167.

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The spotlight switches to potential classic fillies at Newmarket last autumn.

Stakes here at Newmarket last autumn.

Her detractors point to the fact down the hill into the facus of the winning post.

After a winter spent jumping it is necessary to refresh the monory form time to time, especially when who won the brish 1,000 Guineas at form winning the Masaka as possible, yet still use the run Stakes at Kempton but with the long down the hill into the facus of gain impetus for that final climb to the winning post.

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I always prefer their in-depth assessments of individual horses to their political monans and groans and their piece on Favoridge, who is my selection for today's main race is case in point it is excellent reading as it traces her two-year old career before analysing her chance of staying a mile and, perhaps, even winning the 1,000 Guineas judged on both her pedigree and past

Favoridge is currently the third favourite for the first fillies' classic. Her ability to last seven furlongs, By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent

who won the Irish 1,000 Guineas at year it was thoroughly misleading least fans the flame of hope that a though because On The House mile should be within her compass could finish only fifth in the trial

mile should be within her compass this season.
Favoridge's trainer, Geoffrey Wrazg, asked for his opinion, said "She will stay all right, provided that she is ridden right," was his cryptic reply as he glared, albeit with a mischieves twinkler in his eye at his niece's husband. Pat Eddery, who also happens to be the filly's jockey this afternoon, just as he was last antume when she was beaten in that controversial race by Ma Biche. she in turn was beaten by Habibti.

It will be interesting to see how Alligating performs, more with the Oaks in mind. She is by the dual Arc winner Alleged and looked much more a middle distance filly in the making than a Guineas hope when she finished third to Acclimatise in the Hoover Mile at Ascot last September. Soil-eh-ah enters the fray

Memorial Stakes which his trainer won two seasons ago with Kalaglow. At a difference of 10th it will be interesting to see how Zoffany copes with Cradle of Jazz, Serheed and Tough Commander, all of whom showed a lot of promise last year without actually winning.

Zoffany certainly looked full of the joys of spring when I saw him at Pulborough last month and arguably his victories at Newbury and Goodwood last season should give him the edge. him the edge.
Finally, Schuss is preferred to Gay Lemur for the Rowley Maiden Stakes which will bring the curtain down on the meeting. A half-brother to that good four-year-old Electric by High Top, Schuss will be in his element while there is still plenty of cut in the ground.

cut in the ground.

even money but was only sixth. The blame for that poor performance was subsequently put on a pulled muscle and that was the last that we

Zoffany, mooted aiready as one of Guy Harwood's possible Derby contenders, will have his first race of the new season in the Gerry Felklen Memorial Stakes which his trainer

Deep Roots third Deep Roots could only manage third place behind for Hot and Shining in the Prix Montenica at Saint Cloud yesterday, Desmond Stoneham writes, but his trainer, Pascal Bary, has definitely decided to send the colf for the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket on April 30,

First acceptors

HIRST SCCEPTORS
TIA MARIA HURDLE (2m Handicap): Exhalo
-1.11-4, Royal Videon 5-11-9, Gay George 7-11-5. Sola Buta 5-11-4. Migrator 7-11-0, Potato
Merchant 3-11-10, Domegal Prince 7-10-11,
Badmorth Boy 8-10-10, Scorat Bailot 9-10-7,
Altien Glazad 6-10-8, Double Wrapped 7-10-5.
Brave Husser 5-10-5, Cool Decision 6-10-1,
Capitano 6-9-13, Fradcotari 7-9-13, Very
Promising 5-9-13, Grest Light 5-9-11,
Rushmoor 5-9-10, Janus 5-9-9, Norion Cross
5-9-8, Caredinal Finewer 6-9-7, Jungle Jim 5-9-8,
Burns 7-9-5, Rag Dencer 9-9-5, Rings Parade
5-8-4, Bright Gesels 7-9-3, Morice 5-8-3,
Beltycurrow 6-9-2, Gambie Hall 5-9-0, The
Foodbroker 7-9-0, Avondate Princess 5-8-13,
Thurston 7-9-13, Hochys Ryde 6-9-12, Pastricks
Fair 7-8-12, Mosey Moore 7-8-11, Abu Torkey
6-8-10, Big Bryms 7-8-7, Carser Servente 5-8-7, Classec Touch 4-8-7, Cornish Granita 5-8-7, Miss Love 6-8-7, Cuffery 7-8-7, Shaber's
Glory 5-8-7, Spencers Lane 7-8-7. (To be run
Harydock, Monday May 2.

comfort for Cecil

afterwards. However, if I can get another five gallops into Diesis, he

Tony Ives: on the mark.

should be all right, But I must warn people not to back him for the time being."

The Guineas is now just over a

fortnight away and Cecil should be able to tell us more in a week's time

about how Diesis is standing up to

Piggott moved on Ivano the race turned into a procession. Pat Eddery commented: "Peacetime ran far too freely for his own good."

There is no doubt that Ivano will now be a formidable contender for

Ivano's victory was something of

Henry Cecil started the season on best three-year-old colt last season, a flamboyant note when Ivano but did not appear in public after sprinted to an effortless victory in finishing third to Dara Monarch in the Earl of Schon Stakes at the St James's Palace Stakes at the Earl of Sefton Stakes at the St James's Palace Stakes at In Craven, the president of the South African Rugby Board, said here that pion trainer also received encourdid not think that he would be fit agement for this season's classic enough to win like that at the first with a proposed international and

time of asking."

Salieri started 9-4 favourite for though he had been approached by the Free Handicap but was no match for the Tony Ives ridden offered wast sums of money to hopes when Salieri made a brave time of asking "
effort to defy top weight against
Boom Town Charlie in the
European Free Handicap.

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European Free Handicap. match for the Tony Ives ridden
Boom Town Charlie in the last
furlong. Able Albert finished third
after fiv. jumping and losing a few
lengths at the start. "He certainly
chose a bad time for his antics." said
Peter Easterby. "But Mark Birch
and the organizer. He said he had been
officed vast sums of money to
support parfessional rugby.

Reports from Britain said that
200 of the world's best players are
being recurited by David Lord, an
Australian sports promoter and
television commentator, for a As a result of Diesis's gallop with The Fort and two stable com-panions yesterday morning, the three-year-old has been restored to the betting on the 2,000 Gumeas by Ladbrokes, who offer 7-2 against Lord Howard de Walden's full brother to Kris. The four horses said that it made no difference to the result."
You certainly have to hand it to finished in line abreast. "Diesis tired the last 50 yards, and he is about 10 lb short of peak fitness. He had an attack of stomach cramp

Bill O'Gorman. I was standing at seven countries are believed to have the entrances to the gallops already signed preliminary contracts yesterday morning when the trainer to play in a series of seven world nearly knocked me over. "Don't tournaments over the next three you dare kick this afternoon's Free Handicap winner," shouted O'Gorman, before he cantered away on Boom Town Charlie. It takes a good other major rugby nations would man to state his opinions so firmly realise "what an important role this beforehand.

Boom Town Charlie is not entered in our 2,000 Guineas but will be simed at either the French or Irish equivalent. The value of the Free Handicap form is always sound, and the American-bred colt, who was bound; on the tree of the Property of the tree of the property of the tree of the property of the tree who was bought on the trainer's behalf for \$55,000 by his brother behalf for \$55,000 by his brother Dick at the Keeneland Fall sales chairman, said yesterday: "The club's professional players have standard. "I fancied him to beat Lyphard's Special in the Champagne Stakes at Goodwood, but he pulled a muscle and finished last. When he recovered, I had to take that winning pay, which had been increased to £85 midway through him to win at Redcar or he would the season, would have to be not have been rated high enough for today's race."

today's race."

Most of our leading trainers are problems at the crub. Bramley will now fulfil three remaining matches by calling in amateur players from the Mildford and Oldham St Annes teams. The Oldham amateurs will be used in games against Salford on Sunday and York on April 24 and Most of our leading framers are now starting to move into top gear. Michael Stoute was delighted with the running of Bali Dancer and Shergar's handler went on to saddle his first winner of the season with his second runner when Walter Swinburn showed commendable strength and patience on Majestic Endeavour in the Wood Ditton Stakes.

a revelation. Peacetime, the 6-4-favourite, and Bali Dancer both looked dangerous a furlong from home, but the moment that Lester Stakes.
The whole afternoon was packed with interest. Easterby's two-year-old Nellie Bly showed all the courage in the world before overhauling Gentle Gypsy in the closing stages of the Bartlow Maiden Stakes. And Geoffrey Wragg shows us a lively outsider for the Derby races like the Prince of Wales's Stakes at Ascot, and the Eclipse Stakes at Sandown. He was Cecil's Teenoso who romped home by eight lengths in the April Maiden Stake

NEW NOTE L Waring 8-10-10
CELTIC SLAVE T Forster 6-10-9
NNESTONES J Cobden 6-10-8
HEPPARION S Mellor 11-10-8
LICKY GEORGE L Kennard 5-10-5
SRIKE CHANNON P Makin 7-10-5
PARTY MESS W Fisher 8-10-5
FAME THE SPIRI Mrs J Pitman 5-10-0
TOATLEY ABLE R Keepor 6-10-0 (4ex)
VILE STAR (CD) N Thomson 10-10-0
TEC TAC MENT P Wakely 9-10-0

.15 LAUGHTER CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS CHASE-(Handicap: £1,383: 2m) (6)

4-6 Nagent, 180-30 Robolin, 19 Rhinestone Cowboy, 12 Teston Lad, 20 Captain Kelly, Hope Again, 25 others.

Wincanton selections

By Our Racing Staff

Dr Craven says he rejected cash offer

Craven: "Offered vast sums Milford will play against Dewsbury next Tuesday evening.

BASKETBALL: The leading coach, Tom Becker, an American who led Sunderland to three successive championship play-offs, has joined Manchester Giants. Becker, aged 33, said: Interesting things are happen-ing at the Manchester club now. I have the backing of equally ambitious directors and I think the game is going to take off in a big way in this country."

GOLF: Bell's scotch whisky, who recently announced a £300,000 deal to sponsor the Ryder Cup and PGA Cup, have extended their involvement in golf by backing the Professional Golfers' Association's invoice charming the winners. iunior championship. The winners of club competitions and area finals of club competitions and area finals will gain a place in the grand final over the King's Course, Gleneagles, on August 28 and 29.

CRICKET: George Mann, the chairman of the Test and County Cricket Board yesterday praised the conduct of the England team during the tour of Australia. He said: "Our team were generally well behaved on the field. They showed great restraint and good sportsmanship even when faced with the occasional provocation from the crowd or when in receipt of some bad and

TENNIS

Fright for Wallace

There was a nasty moment for pupils in the 48-strong boys event Mark Wallace, aged 16, the eighth today, meets Richard Whichello, seed, in the third round of the 16 the first seed. Like Suzie Mair, his and under junior hard court opposite number in the girls singles, championship sponsored by Pru- Whichello yesterday needed three

proposed professional World Cup.

According to the Crizen neswpaper here, more than 136 players from

years in Britain, Australia, South Africa and the United States.

country played to stop professional-ism creeping into the amateur game."

RUGBY LEAGUE: Bramley have made plans for amateur players to represent the club in Second Division games for the rest of the season. Doug Alton, the Bramley chairman, said yesterday: "The club's professional players have again refused to accept a proposed cut in wincing recept a proposed."

set, having lost the first, came within a point of defeat at the hands of the gifted 12-year-old Colin Beecher of Kent. In desperation, Wallace decided to attack from the left. He saved the match point with a winning volley down Beecher's backhand wing and, thereafter,

but 5-3 ahead in the second.

THEO ROUND: soys singles: R Whitchello bt L Matthews 5-7, 5-2, 6-1.

It was a commendable effort by both boys; Wallace did well to cope with the pressures inseparable from playing someone so much younger than himself; while Beecher showed that he was by no means out of his depth in this age group.

Wallace, one of four Millfield

but 5-3 ahead in the second.

Heron cops singles: R Whiteso bt L Matthews 5-7, 5-2, 6-3; S Heror of S Heritage 7-6, 6-2, R Every bt A Chestry 6-2, 7-4, 8-1; A Bernset 7-5, 8-6, A Every bt Millfield S Heror of S Heritage 7-6, 6-2, E Every bt Millfield S

and under junior hard court championship sponsored by Prudential at the Edgbaston Archery Club yesterday.

Wallace, 4-5 down in the second Wallace, 4-5 down in the second the first came

Jane Wood, the Middlesex girl who last week reached the quarter finals of the 18 and under group at Wimbledon, had to withdraw from her match against Sarah Whiteman at a time when she was one set down but 5-3 ahead in the second.

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necessary to refresh the monory form time to time, especially when confronted with races of this nature a what better way todo that than browse through *Timeform's* annual masterpiece 'Racehorses'.

that controversal race by Ma Biche.
On that occasion Wragg was openly critical of Eddery saying that as he had let Freddie Head, on Ma Biche, get the first run he had to use

which is the distance of today's race
which is the distance of today's race
let alone a mile has been a talking
round ever since she was outstayed
by Ma Biche in the Cheveley Park
Favoridge, this afternoon as he

Fishleigh Gamble unhooked

Newmarket

Tote: Double 3.10, 4.10. Treble 2.35, 3.40, 4.40.

2.0 GRANBY STAKES (2-y-o: £2,443:5f) (9 numbers)

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AFRICAN ARABIDON (B) (P Mile) C Strock 9-1
CAMDEN LAD (K Flecther) R Hollingheed 8-11
CAPTAIN SINGLETON (A Ward) G Hansood 8-11
CALTITER STOOK (G Cooks) N Calleghan 8-11
LICEVEAN (P Yong) W C Gorran 8-1
MARK'S CHOKE (Miles J Collins) P Falcins 8-11
COSTALOTTA (C Miles) 8-9 with 6-8

COSTALOTTA (C Miles) 8-9 with 6-8

2.35 DAILY MIRROR HANDICAP (apprentices: £2,511: 1m 4f) (12)

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3.10 NELL GWYN STAKES (Group II: 3-y-o filies:; £11,609: 71) (9)

3.40 LADBROKES BOLDBOY HANDICAP (3-y-o: £3,655: 6f) (6)

4.10 GERRY FEILDEN STAKES (3-y-0 25,078: 1m 17) (8)

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31- HERICARIAN PRINCE (J Smith) R Sheether 9-1
31- CRELOW (G Vanier) J Durkop 8-1
32- BANYSHARKOVSKY (G Vanier) R Boss 8-8
33- HEOREON (Capt M Lemon) C Britain 8-8
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33- TOUGH COMMANDER (K Harl) R Ammining 8-8
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6 EMPEROR'S PALACE (R Capon) M Shrvis 9-0

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9 PLOUT (C Abdulle) J Tree 9-0

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3 SCHUSS (Lord Porticosis) W Hem 9-0

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8 RIVER VERGURE (D Phartin) H Candy 9-0

25 SHERBIG OUT (J Greenbruse) G Herwood 9-0

26 SHERBIG OUT (J Greenbruse) G Herwood 9-0

27 SHERBIG OUT (J Greenbruse) G Herwood 9-0

28 SHERBIG OUT (J Greenbruse) G Herwood 9-0

3 SCHUSS (LORD PRINSE) (F SHERM) W CORD 9-0

3 TACKWOOS (J FISHE) M Rysel 9-0

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TARRETIESC (C. Pergus) M Ryan 9-0
TRY YOUR SEST (E. Holdoo) P Hastam 9-0
WELSH SLORY (H. Los) H Cecil 9-0

2 School, 3 Gay Lemor, 9-2 Shiplog Out, 6 Weigh Glory, 8 Figur, 14 Speed Of Music, 20

Newmarket selections

By Michael Phillips

2.00 Hopwood, 2.35 Regal Steel, 3.10 Favoridge, 3.40 Northair, 4.10

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.35 Gouini, 3.10 Favoridge, 3.40 Willy James, 4.10 Hungarian Prince,
4.40 Gay Lemm.

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2.4% in Prime (5-1); 2. Mandick Adventure (5-4 km); 3. Raharu Double (15-1), 5 cm. 3.1% maphi Ludy (5-4 k ins); 2. Cappain Temport (10-1); 3. Super Warnior (5-4 k ter), 5

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4.40 ROWLEY STAKES (3-v-o maidens: 22.931; 77: (23)

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FORMA: Princely Pigister (5-0) not in first 9 to Misherall (ruc 20th) 14 ran, Laksester Bi Map good to Soft Oct 19, Northalir (5-10) 6(n bester 7) to Bumpkin (ruc 20th) 14 ran, Newmarket Bi Map good to soft Oct 2. Soliestis (6-12) 2nd bester 11 to Air Compand (ruc 165) 7 ran, Postatet Bi Map soft Apr 7. Graneweld (6-9) 8th bester 99 bit to Mount Kellett (gave 20) 53 ran, Kempton of Map leave Acr 2, Willy Vannes (6-3) 3rd bester hat to Shesta Sam (gave 46) 10 ran. Donomier Si N'oap sof

[Television: (ITV) 2.35, 3.10, 3.40 races]

Draw advantage: None.

up Favoridge's speed to get to the French filly rather than pass her.
Against that backcloth, it will be

If you wanted to convert a dichard devotee of the big-money Flat game to the more esoteric delights of National Hunt racing then Ascot yesterday would surely have been the place to do it. The featured Pearce Duff Chase, in particular, had enough excitement and drama packed into its five or so minutes to make you swinder to be the controller. irons over the last twelve fences the other side and in so doing after a leather broke, but he still won impeded Fishleigh Gamble, who if Miss Curling had a ride to was beginning to get going again. remember then. Steve Smith Eccles must have had an equally exhilerating one yesterday for nine-tenths of the race, at any rate. Fishleigh Gamble went off like a sprinter and had his rivals strung out like last week's washing by halfway.

So, Another Breeze, who had herself been stopped in her tracks by a fall at the ninth fence and who had been an unlucky loser behind Gallaher here last week — not to memon two other cruel twists of fate that she had suffered in races at minutes to make you wonder why anyone would bother to go to Newmarket, where the action is all

There was no suggestion of fate that she had suffered in races at through, under Jim Wilson, to gain a well-merited, if fortunate victory.

This was also a change of fortune for Another Breeze's trainer, Nick Gasclee, who also took the last race, the Lity Tree Hurdle with Duke of Milan, a courageous winner from Angel Bank Like Another Breeze, ver before you can say "Wee Willie The grey Fishleigh Gamble, all the way up from Oliver Carter's small stable in the Devonshine village of Ottery St Mary, was the whisper for the Pearce Duff. In fact, and the horse went off a firm

collect.

It was there that the party ended before it had begun. Fishleigh Gamble hit the top of the second last, slewed across the course and lost all momentum, handing the race – or so it seemed – to Young Dueles. Fishleigh Gamble had been an last, see casy winner at Newton Abbot on lost all Easter Monday, but those in the race – know gained their confidence from Dusky.

the eight-year old second point to-point victory of the season, at this time, however, that despite his deeds of Gaye Brief – make all the Badbury Rings. There, his tides, half-hearted attempt to climb over running in the Alpine Handicap Polly Curling, had to ride without

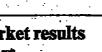
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mention two other cruel twists of fate that she had suffered in races at

the Lity Tree Hurdle with Dake of Milan, a courageous winner from Angel Bank. Like Another Breeze, Duke of Milan has earned a few months' break and next season Gaselee believes that he will make a name for himself over fences.

The leading owner, Shaikh Ali Abu Khamsin, was present to watch Shell Burst - his first-ever winner





2.35 (2.36) FARL OF SEFTON STAKES (Group Bit 214,710: 1m 1f) L.Piggot (7-1)

Sali-Dancer W R Swinburn (14-1)

Peaceline P Eddery (7-4 fee)

3.10 (3.13) LADBROKE FREE HANDICAP (3-7-0x 16,810:70)

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P. Waldron (5-1)
pact of the town _____ W R Swinburn (16-1)
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3.40 (8.41)ASERNANT STAKES (E4,446; 61) SWEET MONDAY by h, by Sweet Revenge -Solly Graham (J. Rediem) 5 B 12

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Luter P Soudemore (14-1) 2 Garrientel R G Hughes (12-1) 3 TOTE Wit: 28.00. Places 22.30, 24.40, 22.80. DF: 221.90. CSP: 255.91. TRICAST: 2979.28. 46cCourt at Warrings. 4, nk. Aces Wild (9-2 ten). Todor Road (5-1) 4th. 14 ran. 2.30 (2.34) ROYAL FERN CHARE (Novices: £5,803:3m)

440 (4.47) LILY YREE HURCLE (novices: 12.872-2m.40)

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3.40 (3.45) ALPINE MEADOW HURDLE (bandlesp: \$4,550: 5m)

4.10 (4.17) TAAHOMA HUNTERS' CHASE (ameliure: 22,300; 2m 47)

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11-4 Usurping, 9-2 Hynnos, 11-2 Jayess, 6 Finneskin, 7 La Vert Galant, 8 Tarker's Trip, Ridenhem, 10 Gap. 14 chars. 2.45 DAFFODIL CHASE (Handicap: £1,655; 3m 1f)

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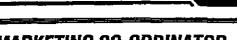
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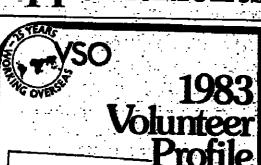
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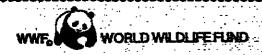
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A partner in a leading firm of headhanters recently pointed out that the peak period for job changers occurred between the ages of 35 and 45. "That's the time when a lot of executives get itchy feet", he said "The form and the said of The first move often turns out to be mistake. People hand in their resignation without realizing that it can take up to a year to find another job, or they simply make an impetuous leap from the frying pan into the fire."

The reason why these are dangerous years for executives is that they coincide with what has become known as "the mid-life crisis". The thought that with half their adult lives behind them, the rest may be more of the same thing causes a good many people to cut and run for something new in early middle age.

In the professions, particularly, there are many jobs which hold out no prospects for doing anything other than the same thing for year after year, if for increasing amounts of money. That kind of realization dawns in the late thirties, just about the time that personal relationships tend to come under pressure for much the same reasons. One important question people should ask them-selves in these circumstances is what the cause of discontent really is. Is dissatisfaction with the job masking a personal problem? If it is, a job move,

Godfrey Golzen on how to time your job move

with all the stresses that entails, may

be quite the wrong answer. A job switch after years with the same firm often turns out badly because the person concerned has looked only at the job itself, not at the wider task of adapting to a whole new working environment. Mid-career job changers are particularly vulnerable. They tend 3 is basis of 15 or 20 years' experience, to have definite ideas on how things ought to be done. The trouble is that much of this may apply, not so much to the job itself, but to the situation in the last place

and the organizational climate of a prospective employer or the requirements of a particular job is by no means confined to mid-career. Passages, a widely discussed American book by Gail Sheehy has pointed out that people's lives fall into phases which also shape their attitudes at

they worked for. Another firm might-

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doing things. In an organization looking to make a break with the past a young rebel in a hurry might acquire whizz-kid status, but he or she would certainly feel stifled by one where precedent and tradition were highly

The next phase - from the late twenties to the late thirties - is one of transition, of realization that a straight line may not be the shortest way from A to B - that there may, for instance, be valid reasons why certain decisions have to be referred to the main board. The trick is to avoid, in those years, jobs where you are likely to be type-cast and to go for those where you can try out a variety of

The next years, from the late forties to the early fifties, are the peak career The need to find the right match between your personal development Principle operates - the process and the operational element of the process. somewhat unkindly described by its American inventor as that of people being promoted beyond their abilities. The able accountant finds it difficult to cope with the problems of top management, or the good salesman becomes the ineffective sales director.

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Schools and industry link up

speech there has been increased interest in forging links between education and the world of work. The TUC and CBI jointly promoted the Schools Council Industry Project which has proved an admirable pump-priming agency in those areas where it operates. The recent initiat-ives from the Manpower Services

ment for school-leavers. course, better off than school-leavers, half of whom will probably have to Yet the rewards are great, if rely on the Youth Training Scheme intangible. Ask teachers who have for their introduction into work operated work-experience pro-

Commission have prompted many teachers to reflect upon the changing

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BBC 1

.00 Ceefax AM News, sport, weather and travel in a daily promotion for tale ssidest Time. Frank Bough and Nick Ross this morning and Nack Ross this morning with riews at 6.30; 7.00; 7.50; 8.00 and 8.30; Regional news at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; Keep fit at 6.45 approx; 8.00

230 News, weather 12.57 Financial Report and subtitled news. .00 Pebble Mill at One, General interest magazine from the fishbowl fover 1.45 Gran and 1.50 Stop Go! Two for

200 Film: Angel in My Pocket (1969) Small-town hokum had Andy Griffith as the seventh minister in ten years appointed to sheperd a quarrelsome flock in Kensas. But as an exmarine and labourer, he's made of stronger stuff than his pedecessors. Jerry van Dyke, Kay Medford, Lee Meriwether and Edgar Buchanen help

bringing in the com. Cartoon 3.55 Play School (and on BBC 2, 11,00am) 4,20 The New Adventures of Righty Mouse. Cartoon, 4.49 Heidi. Second part of the Alpine story for children (r).

5.05 Newsround, Paul McDowell reads a junior news bulletin. 5.18 Blue Peter. On the London Marathon and the efforts of 13 BBC staff entrants to prepare themselves for the 26 chuelling miles. Peter Duncan is amongst them.

5.40 News, weather. 6.00 South East at Six.: 6.25 Nationwide. 7.00 Tomorrow's World, items include a new coating to protect film from dirt, gree

effective propeller. 7.25 Top of the Pops. Selections from the best-selling singles chart, cheer-led by Badio 1 DJs Dave Lee Travis and Andy

8.00 The Kenny Everett Television Show Last collection of mercifully swift sketches featuring the many guises of the impish clown otherwise known as Marcel Wave, Gizzard Puke and Sid Snot. do hope you are not reading 8.30 The Pares. "Ready for Anything" reads the regimental motto of the

eratroops and after having followed the arduous course of their training over previous ics, one would have thought the tag fully justified. But the recruits of 480 Platoon have their dreams of herolam in the Falidands smothered by the incessant vigilence of a policing role in Northern ireland. This concluding report on what we are told has been a typical intake of recruits, includes an appraisal of such elitist units in modern war and

9.00 News, weather. 9.25 Jury. The camera moves along the row to rest this week on Christine, at 18 the youngest member of the fictional arry surrenoned to hear evidence i the case of rape. Dabble Farrington plays the problem-beset teensoor.

10.20 Question Time. Weekly Illinus test of partisan colinion uses David Blunkett, the leader of Edward Du Cann, the editor of the Economist Andrew Knight and Sue Silpman, a Trade unionist, on Sir Robin Day's coses topical questions. .71.20 Ten Million Papple. Dr Eric Midwinter catalogues the most common changes that come

Unaccustomed inactivity in retirement is often aggravated by bereavement and taking mental and physical powers. 11.45 News Readlines, weather. 1.50 Closedown.

Tv-am

6.00 Daybreak presented by Gavin. Scott followed by Good Morning British at 6.30 presented by Anna Ford and Nick Owen, Items include News and weather at 7.00: 7.30, 8.00, and 9.00; Pop at 6.50: Guest celebrity at 8.20; Style by Jury at 8.50; Baby Talk at 9.05; Closedown at

ITV/LONDON

9.30 Sesame Street. The Muppets came from here 10.30 Science naL With Michael lentine, 10.35 Databa Micro series deals with strocom computers and talks to Clive Sinclair (r) 11.00 Lost Kingdoms. Chief Badji the Pure of Senegal 11.30 Film Fun. Pepe La Pew, the cartoon skunk, was modelled on Charles Boyer and Maurice

Chevaller (r). Gammon and Spinach, 12.10 12.00 Get Up and Get Beryl Reid gets busy. 12.30 The Sullivans. Police investigate

the black market bacon. 1.00 News 1.20 Themes News 1.30 Crown Court, Judgment day in the fatal fire case involving Elizabeth Spriggs as an allegedly negligent nightclub owner, 2.00 A Plus,

2.30 Racing from Newmarket. Covers the 2.35, 3.10 and

4.00 Gammon and Spinech (r) 4.15 Dandermouse, Cartoon liffhanger 4.20 First Post. Children's favourite programmes 4.30 Rowan's Report. Nick Rowan visits Russell, in his private suite at Woburn Abbey, the ancestral home. 4.45 Murphy's Mob. Soccar saga ands its current

5.15 Emmerdale Farm. An anxious time down on the farm. 5.45 News 6.06 Themes News 6.25 Help! Harlesden's People's Community Council organises funding for local ethnic

6.35 Thames Sport promises an early tasta of cricket with highlights of the one-day match between Sussex ar Surrey - in Sozin. 7.00 Knight Rider, in which the

four-wheeled hero saves yet another foreign head of state. 8.00 Let There Be Love. In this visit to the sanitised world of advertising, our creative pair Paul Eddington and Henry McGee work on a make-or-

break jingle for baked beans. 8.30 Minder. Another repeated episode in the good old standby that subscribes to the notion of a criminal class. But who better to play its teacher then our Arter (George Cole) who in this one meets an artis painting erotic nursis in Soho.
The latest scheme is to recepioy his talents into faking Victorian masterpieces. George Sewell guests as the

recidivist Rembrandt. 9.30 TV Eye. On fears about the Police and Criminal Evidence Sill now before personnent. 10.00 News at Ten, then Themes

10.30 Studio. A series has to be pretty awith if the captains of ITV try to kick it out of play before the firtal whistle. This decizeos of a recording studio (are clicked to convince, too controlled for comedy) appears to have been booted clicusty near to the white line from its prestigious Tuesday.

9.00pm position at the start of play. For the unwary, a living legend of nock trastic is trying to give up drugs, while John Woodvine looks in as a dying musician whose legacy to the world is to be a definitive

9.40 The Hurricane. Profile of World Snooker champion Alex 10.20 Nessanight, ending at 11.10. album of John Dowland songs 11.30 Open University: Exploring . Frequency Space; 11.55 The 11.30 Log Grapt. A late edition from the newspaper saga (r). 12.25 Close, Brian Blassed reads.

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Debbie Farrington in Jury

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: Maths -

Linear Equations: 6.30

Case: 8.10 Closedown

11.00 Play School (and on BBC 1. 3.55pm) 11.25 Closedown. 5.10 Cloister to Cloister. The 'enclosed society' of lawyers.

5.35 Tomorrow. The making of the British version of the

6.05 Tocker's Luck.

7_00

6.30 Just Another Day. At

Broadway musical Annie, in a documentary directed by film

student Amenda Richardson.

Sothaby's where the auctioneer observes, "there's

still a lot of money about," raporter John Pitman's cameras add visual

confirmation during an art

antique gravy bowl fro

sale. Downstaks, at the public counters, the valuers save an

further acrubbing in the kitchen sink, and Mr Grubb the

wine expert keeps an eye open for those who fancy a

free tipple rather than a mere sniff and twist at his tasting (r).

Bolshoi Puppets. The Bolshoi Puppet Theatre of Leningrad timed their British debut to

cincide with an international

four years ago (r).

7.50 Karl Mann: The Legacy. This week's chapter seeks out

examples of revolution

Historian Ása Briggs

napired by Marx and Lenin.

concentrates on Yugoslavia

and Cuba, although it is interesting to note that David McLetan, the original academic consulted for the

series (and the author of the

wanted more emphasis on China and has claimed since his disassociation with the

project that the ready availability of library footage was the final arbiter of where

Manchester with the Nolans as

The perultimate report on the progress of patients of the Bristol Cancer Help Clinic

offers some good news and

some bad. The good news is that, under her new "holistic"

relexation, visualisation) one

lady says she has never felt

better. The bad news is that -another patient we met in the

first week has passed away.

the programme would alight. 8.30 Peter Skellern. Entertains a

home crowd for BBC

9.00 A Gentle Way With Cancer?

regime (health food,

"Hurricane" Hilogins.

his guests.

entary book) had

week's chapter see

estival of puppetry in London.

Modeling by Maths. Sundials; 6.55 Neurophysiology; 7.20 Social Science: The End of the Line?; 7.45 The Borderline

The speed and eye of THE HURRICANE (BBC 2, 9.40pm) are regardery among cognoscenti of the green baize. But sports writer Hugh Melivanney's entertaining portreit reveals, too, the little-known modesty of snocker's stormy hero. earns that on his way across the Rubicon of the kish Sea, Alex Higgins decided to call himself "Hurricane" rather than his other choice, Alexander the Great. To his teachers, though, he will always be Sandy, the reluctant schoolboy who preferred to spend his days in

Belfast snocker halls like the Jampot. This anecdotal profile, inten-tionally intoned, I suspect, in mockheroic style, charts its subject's spectacular progress from the Jampot, via beer-money exhibitions in such illustrious venues as the Ambulance Drill Hell, Accrington, to the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, where he chased round the table with first classed round the table with firstling determination to regain his World title last year. This film also shows Higgins at his domestic devotions as father and spouse. Yet,

CHANNEL 4

5.00 Termis That Counts. Termis course conducted by Adrian

Stonehouse in Spain

5.30 Countdown. The anagram challenge continues.

6.00 The Good Food Show serves

up some pretty indigestible findings about butchers. Of 66 shops visited by meat sples

CHOICE despite the mountain of scandalsheet cuttings about him, he says little to McItvanney, allowing a former great of the game, John Pulman, to have the best line: "There's a little of Jekyli and Hyde in Alex. Unfortunately, it's 75 per cent Hyde.'

There's little of Mellors about George Purse, THE GAMEKEEPER (Channel 4, 9.30pm) created back in 1980 by writer Barry Hines, director Ken Loach and actor Phil Askham, in this notable chronicle of country life and class differences filmed in documentary-style on a ducal estate somewhere (to my ear) near Nottingham. George lives and loves the dilemma of the field labourer, enjoying the nature of his job, breeding pheasants, statiking poachers, hunting wild rabbits, yet repaid shabbily for his devotion to his absentee lord and master. George's particular tragedy is that he doesn't see the ironies of his situation,

though Hines and Loach ensure that we do. For the most part, though, the film is a gantle evocation of rural life, photographed realistically by Chris Menges and Charles Stewart and recorded to great effect by Andrew Boulton with the twitter of birds, the rifle crack of boot on dry twigs and the echo of hobnails on flag-stone.

12.15 Shipping Forecast, Inshore Forecast.

VHF: As above except: 6.25-6.30em Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00 Listering Comer. 5.50-5.55

PM (continued). 11.00 Study on 4: Get By in Greek. 11.30-12.00

Open University: 11.30

Twantieth-cartury Poetry. 11.50-12.00 Music Interlude. rifie crack of boot on dry twigs and the echo of hobnails on flag-stone. In 1572, the Spanish Inquisition put a theology professor, Fray Luis de Leon, ON TRIAL FOR LIFE (Radio 3, 8.00pm), after he read the bible in Hebrew and dared to challenge the accuracy of the authorized Vulgate version. His cruel interrogation lasted for more than four years. In

or the term (hade 4, 11.03am) another professor, Ted Wragg, delves into happier archives for a sample of delights from the VHF ghettess of Schools Radio. David Bellarny, Mari Wilson, Tracey Ulimann and Kenneth Williams are among those featured in extracts.

romance in Italy and lonelines: back in England thereafter by snatches of popular and classical music.

4.00 News. 4.02 Just After Four.

Report. 6.30 Brain of Britain 1983t.

7.20 Concert Preludet.7.30 Scottish National Orchestra

direct from the City Hali, Glasgow Part 1: Mozartt. 8.10 Any Answers?. 8.30 SNO, part 2: Schubertt. 9.35 Kaleidoscope. Arts magazine. 9.50 Mozether.

7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers.

Ullmann and Kenneth Willia

2.02 Women's Hour. . 3.00 News. 3.02 Afternoon Theatre. Music of a Small Life. A journey of musical nostalgla woven within a dramatic monologue written by Ted Allbeury and spoken by James Bolam. He is a sad bachelor who receils his childhood in the 1920s, war-time moreon in the total continued to the childhood in the 1920s.

Forecast.

8.30 Today, including 8.45 Prayer for the Day, 6.56, 7.55 Weather.

7.00, 8.00 Today's News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.30, 8.30 News Headines. 7.45 Thought for the Day: 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather.

for the programme, it seems that only 13 had not contravened the law. Common ions were defrosit meat being sold as "fresh", foreign meat passed off as British and more supposedly "Scotch" beef than can't have been produced north of Hadrian's Wall. A meat trader spokesman denies that there is widespread deception.

6.30 Get Smart. Agent 99 (Berbera Feldon) performs a Mata Harl number to trap a KAOS agent. 7.00 Channel 4 News.

7.50 Comment. 8.00 The Optimist. He's played by the BBC's erstwhile Lucky Jim, Enn Reitel, in this new silent comedy series that only optimistically can look for success, its hero is a cross between Chaplin and 7 ati (but too stupid to evoke our sympathy) who is stalked by disaster even in his davdreams. Swim star Sharron Davies graces this

episode, a beach fantasy set i picture-postcard Mexico. 8.30 Alter Image. An "alternative arts" magazine that begins strikingly with a bizarre Japanese dance group, Sankai Juku, their white ashen bodies slowly snaking through the bowels of Battersea power station, then drowns under a quickly rising tide of selfindulgence that throws up histrionic poet Stephen Taylor Woodrow (his Budding Bard Blurts Out is, alliteratively, a bore) and Andrew Logan conducting an opera ardew with Sonja Nerdrum. David Mach's recyc sculptures are a joy to behold,

however, especially his Reclining Figure, feshioned from telephone books. Scap. Susan Harris's glorious spoof serial attracted a sizable cult following in Britain, despite its pieceme networking. This from the top rerun should prove a useful ratings ploy especially against the bargain-basement look about Thursday nights on ITV at the moment. (r)

9.30 Film: The Gamekeeper (1980) Slow-paced picture of country life and social strife by the writer-director team of Barry Hines and Ken Loach, use: Phil Askham and Rita May as an estate gamekeeper and his distilusioned wife (see Choice).

11.00 What the Papers Say. With from the week's national

Radio 4

6.00 News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today, 6.25 Shipping Forecast.

Travel. News. Invaders. Christopher Matthew with the last of four household

with the last of four household horror' stories.

9.30 The Living World.

10.09 News.

10.02 Enterprise (new series). People who have achieved success against the odds.

10.30 Morning Story: The Hare by Rearden Conner.

10.45 Daily Servicet.

11.00 News, Travel.

11.03 Pick of the Term. A critical look at School Radio.

11.48 Enquire Within. 12.00 News. You and Yours. Watson and Holmes. Carleton Hobbs and Norman Shelley in

The Six Napoleons.

12.55 Weather, Travel, Programme News.

1.00 The World At One: News.

1.35 A Party Political Broadcast by the Conservative Party.

1.40 The Archers.

1.55 Shipping Forecast.

9.35 Kaleidoscope, Arts magazne.
9.59 Weather.
10.00 The World Tonight: news.
11.00 A Book At Bedtime: Bellman and True by Desmond Lowden (9).
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News, Weather.

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this dramatized reconstruction by Professor Ferdinand Woodward. Jeremy Irons plays Fray Lus and Peter Vaughan his Inquisitor. In PICK OF THE TERM (Radio 4, 11.03em)

Radio 3

6.55 Weather 7.00 News.
7.05 News.
7.05 Morning Concert: Walton,
Vaughan Wilkerns, Elgar;
records, 8.00 News. 8.05 Morning Concert (continue Wagner, Rachmaninov, Br Tchalkovsky; records.t

9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composers: The Spanish Golden Age, including Jean Brudeo, Valderrabano, Mudarra, Tomas de Santa Maria, Cabezon, Victoria;

10.00 Scandinavian Music. Dag Wiren. Grieg.:
10.55 Schumann's Ferninine
Character-studies, Song recital.?
11.35 Guitar and Harpsichord, Bernard
Stevens, Ponce, Bryan Kelly.?
12.15 City of Blimingham Symphony
Orchestra. Part 1: Smistana,
Prokofiev.!

News. Concert. Part 2: Shostal 2.00 Haydn and Mozart Chamber

Music.1
3.00 Maruca. Opera by Amadeo
Vives (sung in Spanish); records
The principal singers are Ana
Ritera (Maruca), Vicente
Sardinero, Victor de Narke,
Monserrat Caballé, and Pedro
Lavingen. Emique Gardia
Asensio conducts the Orfeo
Gracieno and the Barcelona
Symphony Orchestra. This Symphony Orchestra. This recording is part of Radio 3's current Spanish season.? 4.10/Bookshelf.
4.10/Bookshelf.
4.40 Story Time. Goodbye to All That by Flobert Graves.
5.00 PM: News Magazine.
5.50 Shipping Forecast.
5.55 Weather, Programme News.
6.00 The Stx O'clock News, Financial

Current Spanish
4.56 News.
5.00 Mainly For Pleesura.†
6.30 Bandstand, Bass Wingates
Band: Philip Lane, Edinc Cundell,
Denis Winght.†
7.00 BBC Scottish Orchestra.
Richard Rodney Bennett,
Howells, Delius.†
8.00 On Trial For Life. A reenactment
of the trial of Fray Luis de Leon,

of the trial of Fray Luis de Leon, compiled by Ferdinand Woodward from the Inquisitional

10.05 Music in Our Time. Pierre Henry,

François Deyes.

11.15 News.

News.

VHF only: Open University 5.356.55 am Welfare from below.

11.20 pm Maths Foundation
Tutorial. 11.40-12.00 Modern

5.00 The Early Show.†7.30 Ray Moore.† 10.00 Jimmy Young.† 12.00 Music-While You Work.† 12.30 Gloria Humiford Including 2.02 Sports Desk.† 2.30 Ed Stewert, Including 3.02 Sports Desk. 3.10 Racing from Newmarket. 4.00 David Hamilton, Including 4.92, 5.30 Sports Desk.† 6.00 John Dunn, including 4.55 Sport and Closelfied a.30 sports best 9 a.0 onh blant, including 6.45 Sport and Classified Resulta.1 7.30 Among Your Souvenirs. 8.30 Country Club. 9.30 Star Sound Extra. 8.57 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Impressionists. 10.30 Geoffrey Cannon presents Round Midright. 1.00 When Housewives Had The Choice? With Russel Dayles and Julie Covington.† 2.00-5.02 Liz Allen.† VHP: as Radio 1 19.00-12.09.

Edited by Peter Lee

Radio 2

Radio 1

6.00 Adrian John with The Early Show. 7.00 Steve Wright. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Mike Smith, including 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Gary Davies. 4.30 Peter Powel, including 5.30 Navysbeat. 7.00 Talkabout. 8.00 Richard Skinner. 10.00-12.00 John Peel.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.33 Nature Notebook. 8.40 The Faming World. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 7.30 Country Syle. 7.45 Network LIK. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Short story. 8.30 The Farming World. 7.00 World News. 7.89
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John Peel. 8.00 World News. 9.09 Review of
the British Press. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30
Financial News. 8.46 Look Ahsad. 9.45
Portraits of Our Time. 10.90 The Art of Daniel
Barenbolm. 11.00 World News. 1.109 News
About British. 11.15 New Ideas. 11.25 The
Week in Wates. 11.30 Assignment. 12.00 per
Radio Newsreel. 2.15 Top Twenty. 12.45
Sports Round-up. 1.00 World News. 1.02
Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 1.30
Network UK. 1.45 The Pleasure's Yours. 2.30
Discovery. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Outbook.
4.00 World News. 4.00 Constructory. 4.15
Assignment. 8.00 World News. 3.03 TwentyFour Hours: News Summary. 2.30 A Joby Good
Show. 9.15 Uster Newsletter. 9.20 in the
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News. 2.08 Review of the British Press. 2.15
The Chanson. 230 Origins. 3.00 World News.
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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC 1 BBC WALES: 12.57-1.00 pm News of Wales Headlines. 3.53-3.55 News of Wales Headlines. 6.00-6.25 Wales l'oday. 11.45 News Headlines, Wea Nose. SCOTLAND: 12.55-1.90 pm Close, SCOTLARD: 12.55-1.90 pm Scottish News, 6.00-6.25 Reporting Scottand, 11.45 Scottish news summar, and weather, Close, NORTHERN IRELAND: 12.57-1.00 pm Northern Ireland News, 3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland News, 6.00-6.25 Scene around Six, 11.46 Northern Ireland news heavilings and weather. Close.

headlines and weather, Close. ENGLAND: 6.00-6.25 pm Regional new magazines. 11.50 Close.

Starts 2.10pm Flatebalam, 2.20 Interlucie, 2.50 II Nostro John Pickering 3.30 Ark on the Move. 4.00 Gemini Man 4.50 CLWB S4C. 4.55 PB-Pala, 5.00 Ffiech Heulyn. **5.30 Jeoperdy. 8.00** Brookside, **6.25** Countdown, **6.5**5 Gair Drouksus, 1-22 County with 5-23 can Yn El Bryd. 7-90 Newyddion Saith, 7-30 Dogfengau Dyfed. 8-90 Noson Lawen Tyddyb Ronnen, Llanuwchilin. 8-55 Maggi and Max. 9-50 Vietnam. 10-45 Film: Cynara* (Ronald Coleman) King Vidor's 1933 romantic tragedy. 12.05e Gair Yn Ei Bryd. 12.10 Closedown.

As London except: 10.30am Cartoon. 10.40 History of the Car. 11.05-11.30 Groovie Ghoulies. 1.20-1.30pm News. 5.15-5.45 Diff rent Strokes. 6.00 News. 8.35 Crossroads, 7.00 Emmerdale Farm, 7.30-8.00 Police Squad, 8.30-8.30 Falcon Crest, 10.30-11.00 Scene '83.

> **HTV WALES** As HTV except: 6.00-6.35pm Wales at Six, 10.36-11.30 National Museum of Wales, 11.30-12.00 Sense of the Past.

12_00 Barney Miller, 12_30 Closedown,

ANGLIA

As London except: 10.30am Wattoo Wattoo. 10.40-11.30 Get the Picture 1.20pm-1.30 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.20 Arena. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.09 Grumbleweeds Radio Show. 7.30-8.00 Grumbieweeds Radio Snow. 7:30-8. Police Squad. 8:30-9:30 Falcon Cres 10:30-11.00 Bygones Special. 11.30 Malding'a Living. 12.00 That's Hollywood. 12.30am Big Question.

CHANNEL

As London except: Starts 12.00-12.10pm Gammon and Spinach. 1.20-1.30 News. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30 Gardens for all. 7.00 Diffrent Strokes. 7.30-8.00 Polica Squad. 8.30-8.30 Hawai Five-O. 10.35-11.00 Dance Class. 11.30 Last Outlaw. 12.25 Closedown.

TYNE TEES

As London except: 9.25em News. 9.30 Young Ramsey. 10.25 Spread Your Wings. 10.55 European Folk Tales. 11.05-11.30 Stingray. 1.20pm-1.30 News and London vid. 5 15-5 45 Private Berlamin. 6.00 News. 6.02 . Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 7.00 Emmendale Parm. 7.30 Police Squad. 8.30-9.30 Falcon Crest. 10.22-11.00 Double Top. 12.00 Games for Live. 12.05 Closedown.

As London except: 10.30am Cartoon. 10.40 New Fred and Barney Show. 11.05-11.30 Crezy World of Sport. 1.20-1.30pm News. 5.15-5.46 Diff rent 1.30pm News. \$.15-5.45 Diffrent Strokes. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.35 Crossroads... 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30-8.00 Police Squad. 8.30-9.30 Falcon Crest. 10.30 Seven Days. 11.00 Showcase. 11.15 in Search of the Real Dracula. 11.45 Best of Bizarre. 12.15am Company, Closedown.

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As London except: 9.30em Young Ramsey, 19.25 Europeen Folk Tales. 10.35-11.30 Musical Special. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 5.15 Gus Honeybur. 5.20-5.45 Chestande E. 60 Tardes Seattle Vest 5.39 Gardens For All, 7.30-8.00 Police Squad. 8.30-9.30 Hawaii Five-O. 10.35-11.00 Dance Class. 12.00 Superstar Profile: Alan Alda. 12.31

SCOTTISH

As London except: 10.30em Natural Environment: 10.55 Asian Insights. 11.25 History of the Car. 11.50-12.00 Larry the Lemb. 1.20pen-1.30 News. 5.15 Crossroeds. 5.40-5.45 Bodyline. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30 Talking Scotts. 7.00 Benson. 7.30-8.00 Police Squad. 8.30-9.30 Falcon Crest. 10.30 Studio. 11.25 Late Call. 11.30 Sense of the Peat. 12.00 Grann Tara. 12.30em Closedown.

BORDER

As London except 10.30am Larry the LBino, 10.49-11.30 space 1996. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 University Challenge. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.35 Crossroeds. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Crossroeds, 7.00 Emmerdale Farm, 7.30-8.00 Police Squad, 8.30-9.30 Falcon Crest, 10.30 Sense of the Past, 11.00 Hill Street Blues, 12.00 News.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 10.30am Contact. 10.55 Window in the Ice. 11.10-11.30 Sport Billy. 12.30pm-1.00 Paint along with Nancy. 1.20-1.30 News and Weather. 5.15-6.45 Benson. 5.00 Calendar. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30-8.00 Police Squad. 8.30-9.30 Falcon Crest. 10.30 Studio, 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00

ULSTER

As London except: 10.30em Wonderful Stories of Professor Kitzel. 10.35 Faicon Island. 11.00 Cartoon. 11.05 Adventures of Gulliver. 1.20pm-1.30 Lunchtime. 5.15 Benson. 6.00 Good Evening, Ulster. 6.25 Police Str. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.30-8.00 Police Squad. 8.30-9.30 Falcon Crest. 10.30 Counterpoint. 11.30 Studio. 12.30 News, Closedown. CENTRAL

As London except: Starts. 9.35am Film Fun. 10.00 Dick Tracy Returns. 10.15 Central Sport. 10.30 Film: Time Files Tornmy Handley comedy, 11.55 Wattoo, Wattoo, 12.30pm-1.00 About Britain. 5.15-5.45 Chintz. 6.00 Crossroads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30-8.00 Police Squad. 8.30-9.30 Falcon Crest. 10.30 Central Lobby. 11.00 Studies. 12.00 Ladies Man. 12.30 Closedown.

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Arnid conflicting reports and rumours, General Leopoldo Galtieri, former President of Argentina, was taken from his home in residential district of Buenos Aires on Tuesday night to an undisclosed military unit, where he will a period of disciplinary arrest.

Journalists who had spent all day outside said that the general left at 21.30 om local time in a private car escorted by three Army vehicles. Rumours that he would resist arrest provewd to be unfounded.

Army sources, which had earlier confirmed that General Galtieri faced 60 days detention, began to suggest that the sentence was only 45 days. The Army has been reducing the information it is prepared to give on the former President's pricise legal situation.

Central to the charges against General Galtieri are statements made in an interview published by the Buenos Aires newspaper Clarin on April 2.

He was highly critical of General Mario Menendez, whom he had appointed military governor of the Falklands. "After San Carlos I thought of replacing General Menéndez. I did not do so because I wanted to avoid panic, a breach in our operational front", he said, adding that General Menendez "let me down" and that "he seemed to sink five centimetres with each day that passed".

General Menendez is one of the officers who have demanded the formation of Army commissions of honour to investigate General Galtieri's

In another passage, General Galtieri, blamed his junta colleagues and Señor Nicanor Costa Mêndez his Foriegn Minister, for Argentina's failure to take the last chance of a negotiated settlement.

"At a junta meeting, and after asking them not to hit me for what I was giong to say, because they knew I was a bit imaginat ive and impulsive, I proposed a draft statement to be sent to the United Nations. It said, roughly, that Argentina would withdraw the fleet and promis-

ing to negotiate."
"All those present - Costa
Méndez and Admiral Suárez del Cerro were there as well - said there was no domestic political space for such a move.



Flood waters in Cologne leave a landing stage along the Rhine quay marooned.

Flood brings chaos to German cities

Bonn (Reuter) - The cities of Bonn, Cologne and Koblenz were awash yesterday as thousands of West German firemen, troops and volunteers fought flood waters from the

overflowing Rhine. In northern France, 12 people were reported to have died in four days of flooding, according to French radio. The French Interior Ministry said it was aware of only three dead and three missing, although this was not a final figure. River levels were falling yesterday after heavy rain abated.

In West German, the Rhine, swollen by several days of torrential rain, reached its highest level since 1970, highest level since 1970, berg.

Swamping the old city centre of Cologne and several low-lying Cologne's Cothic cathedral and riverside sites near the town of

areas of Bonn. Officials expected the Rhine to reach its highest level last night and then start to recede.

Flood water was pumped from the vaults of the Bundestag building in Bonn and the Speaker's private entrance could be reached only by boat, a Parliament spokesman said. Several embassies, including

those of Turkey and Yugoslavia, were under water in the diplomatic suburb of Bad Godesberg and guests at a luxury riverside hotel were evacuated by boat. Makeshift floodgates were set up around the sprawling American Em-bassy complex in Bad Godes-

the Rhine were under 3ft of water and many residents took refuse on the first floor of their

Emergency teams battled all

night to stem the floods, but pumping was suspended in some parts of Cologne yester-day because of fears that historic buildings might col-lapse, officials said. Thefloods caused widespread and road traffic chaos through-

disruption to public transport out the Rhineland. Barge traffic on the Rhine, West Europe's busiest inland waterway, has been suspended until next week at the earliest.

Flooding was also severe in Koblenz and stranded campers

were swept away. The city of Trier, on the river Maselle, has declared a state of

emergency.
Agriculture Ministry officials said the floods would delay planting of sugar beet, but should not harm the scenic terraced vineyards in the Rhine and Moselle valleys.

In Luxembourg, roads along the Moselle remained closed but water started to recede in the worst flooding experienced by the Grand Duchy since 1947, officials said.

In many towns and villages along the "wine road" that follows the river, people moved to the first floors of their houses as basements and ground floors were under water.

Sierra campaign kills hopes for end to price war

Continued from page 1

taxation offices could not cope and a reported 4,000 sales had to be carried over to April.

The incentives continue this

necessary because of the "dirty tricks whispering campaign" battle for many years.

They complain that Ford's within the limits of making a being waged by rivals.

The incentives continue this mouth with the exception of those paid to fleet buyers, who heading for record sales this are said to have received a £200 year of over 1,720,000 cars. rebate for each Sierra bought in March.

The incentives continue this massive intervention has custifued the entire market them. Whatever the 10-day figures show now, we are still night to this claim. A spokesconfident that Sierra will be a manufacturers were hoping that after two years in the doldrums anything like the sums they are month." Bishops' plea, page 2

Mr Sam Toy, Ford of they would be able to phase out talking about. We are not Britain's chairman, has said the widespread discounting prepared to say how much that support for Sierra was which has led to the most because we do not divulge our

massive intervention has dis- profit and it is not true of any of

Heseltine rejects dual-key for cruise

By Philip Webster Political Reporter

Mr Michael Heseltine, Sco retary of State for Defence, mpressed Conservative backbenchers last night with a stout defence of the joint decisionmaking arrangements between Britain and the United States for the firing of cruise missiles stationed on British soil.

Addressing a joint meeting of the Conservative backbeach defence and foreign affairs committees in the Commons Mr Heseltine apparently succeeded in dispelling any lasting impression that the Govern-ment might be thinking of asking the Americans for a dualkey system of control, as some of his backbenchers wish.

He spoke with satisfaction of the way the existing joint decision arrangement has worked since it was instituted in 1951 by Mr Clement Attlee and President Truman. He said it vould be illogical to have a duel-key system for cruise missiles, and not to have one for the Poseidon submarines and the F111 bombers.

He added that to introduce the system would be costly, delay the installation of the missiles, and worst of all, be bad for relations between the two countries, damaging the atmosphere of mutual trust.

MPs said later that Mi Heseltine's presentation had been highly effective. "If only he had half an hour on television to do that," one said but that does not mean that his difficulties with some backbenchers are over.

Few of the dual key proponents spoke at last night's meeting, and many of them were absent, but they are hoping to press the issue to a vote when the Commons debates disarmament, probably the week after

About 40 Conservative MPs from a wide cross-section of the party last month backed a motion from Mr Alan Clark, MP for Plymouth, Sutton, calling for the introduction of a "mechanism for sovereign physical control." It was withdrawn because of fears that it might embarass the party.

But Mr Clark hopes to table an amendment along the same lines for the debate. He told The Times yesterday: "Affirmations, however often repeated and whatever form they may take, are useless.

What we are talking about is

Select Committee", he announced. He went still further. an acute crisis. At that time overriding national interests are the sole criteria."

Frank Johnson in the Commons

A lens-eye view of the Queen of committees

Mr Austin Mitchell, a well-publicized Labour backbencher who, for that reason, sometimes arouses disap-proval and perhaps even envy in some of his rougher Labour colleagues, was yesterday voted leave to bring in a Bill allowing television cameras access to the proceedings of Parliament's committees.

The Bill reopened once more the controversial issue of whether Mr Mitchell should be televised. Members are divided more or less equally on the issue. The opponents of allowing cameras access to him argue that the cameras will concentrate only on the headline-catching part of Mr Mitchell's proceedings.

The supporters are in favour of it for the same reason. Others believe that the televising of Mr Mitchell is inevitable - something which, in a world dominated by the electronic media, is unavoidable.
Both supporters and

opponents were on hand in good numbers yesterday as Mr Mitchell began his speech the latter group, particularly on the Labour side, being the more ribald. For, immediately prior to being elected to the Commons, Mr Mitchell followed the trade of television

As objects of loathing among Labour backbenchers, television presenters now rank well ahead of slum landlords and Chilean generals. Television presenters are asso-ciated with being recognized in supermarkets by libidinous housewives and similar injustices. Also, it is assumed, presumably rightly, that the actual work of television presenting, which confers these privileges, is extremely

Most Labour members do not object to people having a cushy time provided they have it in obscurity. It is the television presenter's combi-nation of fortunate circumstances that arouses their irritation. So, when Mr Mitchell rose

yesterday, he faced much potential opposition from his own side. He began by emphasizing the immense importance to Parliament, democracy, and indeed civilization, of select committees. "I am proud to belong to the Treasury and Civil Service "I regard it as the most intellectually demanding part of my experience as an MP", he said. There spoke a man who had perhaps been sparing in the demands he had made upon his intellect. It was hard on the public, then, that the Treasury and Civil Service Select Committee, stuffed as it was with MPs making the most strenuous demands on their intellects, was not televised - so that folk could see

all that demanding going on The committee on race relations had been filmed walking about Bristol after the riots, but could not be filmed being a committee, he is

Mr Mitchell seemed unable to accept that any of us are sceptical of committees of any kind - be they select com. mittees, committees of inquiry, or committees of workers, peasants and intellec-

He referred to the need to televise above all "the Queen of committees: the Treasury and Economic Policy Committee," seemingly unaware that to many of us the Queen of Committees is not any particular committee, but Lady Plowden, who seems to be on all of them. Asking questions on television, said Mr Mitchell, should not be left to "amateurs like Sir Robin

One later consulted Mr Mitchell's Who's Who entry, He turned out to be, in addition to a television presenter, the author off the book with the pehaps the least dramatic title in English liteature: New Zealand Politics in Action, which work was followed up with the equally restrained Politics and People in New Zealand. What does that amateur Day know about New Zealand?

Another Labour backbencher. Mr Joe Ashton, spoke against the Bill. He had seen televised committees in America, he said. They were a shambles. Senator McCarthy had done well out of televised committees, he said (omitting to say that the senator was also destroyed by one.) "Nixon was his aide who became Vice-President", added Mr Ashton.

Actually, Mr Nixon had nothing much to do with McCarthy. Perhaps Mr Ashton was thinking of Alger Hiss or possibly Rudolf Hess. Who could say? It was a thoroughly

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Today's events

Royal engagements

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh attends a Service of the Kent Opera, attends a performance of Don Giovanni, The Orchard, itoyal Victorian Order in St George's Chapel, Windsor, 11; hold a reception in St George's Hall. Vindsor, for those attending the Geissler, Art Gallery and Museum.

The Service will also be attended by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Princess Margaret, Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, The Duke of Gloncester, and The Duke and Duchess of Kent.

The Duke of Kent carries out | Whitworth Art Gallery, Whitworth agagements in Dartford: visits | Park, Manchester; Mon to Sat 10 to 9, closed Sun (until bartford VMCA AS) as Parts of Assar 20. engagements in Dartford: visits Wellcome Foundation, 3.40; and

Glass engraving by Alison Geissler, Art Gallery and Museum, Kelvingrove, Glasgow, Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (until May-8).

English watercolours from 1750 to 1850; and A Special Friendship: work acquired for the Gallery, with the aid of The Friends; both at

4 Somebody, after a division,

5 Royalty once thus liable to be

6 Exclamation of a heartless 17

Evidence in camera? No (8).

8 Second loan arranged for accommodation of Zeno & Co

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caught on the hop? (7).

12 Gypsy's taking off (5-5).

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The Times Crossword Puzzle No. 16,103

Gulbenkian award-winners

prints, 1982, and porcelain by Philippa Cronin; both at Oxford Gallery, 23 High Street, Oxford; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, closed Sun (until April 27).

Five Painters - an exhibition

focusing on work by five British painters who live and work in the south of England, John Hansard Gallery, Southampton University, Mon to Sat 10 to 6, closed Sun (until April 3).

Alive To It All: works by 13 artists, including Klee, Miro and Roger Hilton, Ferens Art Gallery, Queen Victoria Square, Hull, Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2.30 to 4.30; until April 24)

Work by John Chapman and Christine McKelvey, Museum and Art Gallery, Library Street, Black-bura: Mon to Fri 9.30 to 6, Sat 9.30 to 5, closed Sun; (until April 30). Harveys History of Wine collec-tion, Chelmsford and Essex Mu-seum, Oaklands Park, Moulsham to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (until May 22).

Maritime England Mary Rose Exhibition, Bickleigh Castle, Tiver-ton, Devon; Wed and Sun 2 to 5; (until Oct 16).

Work by three Canadian sculp tors, Museum and Art Gallery, Cartwright Hall, Bradford; Tues to Sun 10 to 5, closed Mon; (until May

Dress of the Year 1963-1983 Museum of Costume, Assembl Rooms, Bath; Mon to Sat 9.30 to 6, Sun 10 to 6; (until Oct).

Music Concert by the Halle Orchestra. Free Trade Hall, Peter Street Manchester, 7.30. Manchester, 7.30.

Concert by the Scottish National Orchestra, City Hall, Glasgow, 7.30.

Concert by the British Youth Symphony Orchestra, Chichester Cathedral, 7.30.

Recital by Geoffrey Buckley, St David's Hall, Cardiff, 1.10.

Concert by the Pump Room Trio, Christ Church, Julian Road, Bath, 7.30.

Concert by Plymouth Area Police Choir, Guildhall, Plymouth, 7.30. Talks, lectures

To the Roof of the World, by I. Bunyan, Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street, Edinburga, 2. William Hunter, Book Collector, by J. Baldwin, Boyd Orr Building, Glasgow University, 3.

Royal London, meet Westminster Underground, 11 am. Chelsen, meet Sloane Square Chelsea, meet Sloane Square Underground, 2.30 pm. Haunted London Ghost Walk (finishing in a pub), meet Covent Garden Underground. Mysterious Interiors of Hidden London, meet Holborn Under-Quaint City Pubs, Curious and

Courtyards, meet St Paul's Under-ground, 7.30 pm. The London Dickens Knew, meet Blackfriars Underground, 11 am.
Literay London - Fleet Street,
meet St Paul's Underground, 2 pm.
Religion in London, meet outside
Museum of London, 2.30 pm.

23.50)
Bertok Bracht in America, by James K. Lyon (Methuen, 25.95)
Discovering Birds, by Tony Soper (BBC, 23.50)
Getting to Yes, by Roger Fisher and William Ury (Hutchinson, 24.95)
Moonite, by David Foster (Picador, 22.50)
Selected Poems of Thomas Hardy, edited by James Reeves and

Roads

London and South-east: A368: Major roadworks on Sunbury Road, Hampton, Middlesex: avoid Hampton Court area. A3216: Chelsea Bridge: only one lane in use; use Albert, Battersea or Vauxhall Bridges as alternatives. A362:

ing temporary width restriction of 9 foot 6 inches each way.

Milands and East Anglis: A1:

and 27 (A5209, Wigan/Standish), Greater Manchester, work will last

until November. Also southbound carriageway closed between junc-tions 41 (N of Penrith) to 42 (S of

Carlisle), Cumbria; all traffic sharing northbound carriageway.

Scatland: A80: String Road, Muirhead, Strathchyde, closed either side of Muirhead village until tomorrow. A8: Diversions and

iomorow. As: Diversions and carriageway closures at Parkles, Port Glasgow, Strathclyde, A92: Kirkcaldy Esplanade, Kirkcaldy, Fife, closed until Monday because of annual Links Market.

The Daily Mirror awards Oscar:

to various politicians in a light-hearted leader this morning. "Our

Oscar for the Best Newcomer goes to David Steel for the seventeenth

successive year. The Most Promising Minister award goes to

Cetal Parkinson, who has not stopped promising since he joined the Cabinet . Sir Geoffrey Howe

gets the award for the most boring film ever made on a tight budget... We regret that despite intensive lobbying by their cronics, neither Peter Tatchell nor Roy Jenkins wins

The Daily Express finds the Left's hostile reaction to Govern-

ment proposals to introduce a

voluntary stint in the Armed Force for jobiess teenagers "predictable"

Information supplied by the AA.

The papers

anything."

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(Pan, 21.25) Skye, by Derek Cooper (RKP, 25.95) The Vanishing Hitchhitter, by Jen Harold Brunvand (Picador, 21.95) Waterways Postcards 1900-1930, by Hugh McKnight (Shepperton Swan, £4.95) With Love, by Theodora FitzGibbon (Pan, £1.95)

sixteenth President of the United States, was shot at Ford's Theatre, Washington, and died the following day, 1865; Aleksandr Scriabin (new style April 27), Moscow, 1915; Louis Sullivan, architect, Chicago, 1924; Vladimir Mayakovski, poet, Moscow, 1930; Ernest Bevin, Loudon 1951.

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Retail Price Index: 327.3. London: The FT Index closed down 0.6 at 687.1.

forecast

A westerly airstream will persist, with a weak trough of low pressure clearing S.

Weather

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S, SW England, Channel Istanda: Becoming dry and brighter latter a rather cloudy start; wind variable, light; max temp 11 to 13C (52 to 55F).

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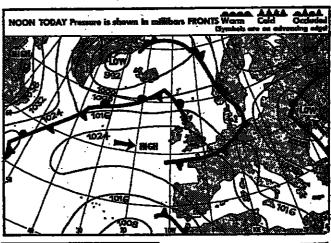
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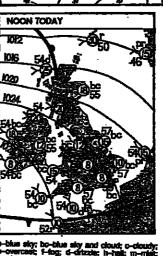
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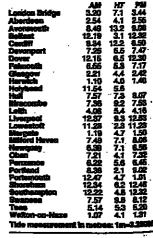
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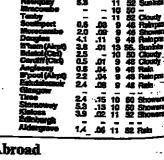




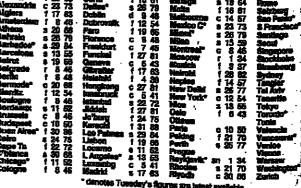


High tides

Around Britain



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1 One religious system in an undefiled setting indulged in by Holmes (10). 9 Enjoy the view, my American friend, from the

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10 Freebooter to make a double with Red Rum? (8). 11 The Spanish girl goes to party in Manoa (8).

belvedere (6).

13 Appointment as Minister to 16 Boy in bus makes dirge make speech about noise (10). 15 Improve strength perhaps, by 18 Erasmus for instance liable to signing him on? (7).

17 Intellectual's cracked, if one of 19 What definition states those in their cups (7).

12 Circus performer with an

impressive act indeed? (4).

20 Mother maybe holds back letters 22 Deny it's trash (6). for both our houses (10). 24 Dress, with age, would be 22 (4). 21 One involved with arms (4). 23 A figure sufficiently angular for the Muses (8).

25 One trick in tune arrangement,

27 Head of state a year from now?

to arouse curiosity (8).

26 Sweet but gullible type (6).

(3,7). DOWN

commodities market (8).

2 To put up a record on ice, buy

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New books – paperback

Anniversaries

Births: Abraham Ortelius, car-tographer, Antwerp, 1527; Chris-tiaan Huygens, mathematician and astronomer, The Hague, 1629. Deaths: George Friedrick Handel, London, 1759; Abraham Lincoln, sixteenth President of the United

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Finance Bill. second reading.

Lords (3): British Shipbuilders

Bill, report. Debate on EEC

committee report on borrowing and

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Clwyd, North Wales. A541: Roadworks from Westminster Bridge,
Gwetsyllt, to Oak Alya, Wrexham,
Clwyd, North Wales. M5: Northbound exit sip-road closed at
junction 25 (Taunton); diversion
signposted via junction 26 (A38,
Wellington).
North: M6: Lane closures
between junctions 25 (A49, Wigam)
and 27 (A5209, Wigan/Standish),
Greater Manchester: work will last

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Lighting-up time Yesterday

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for jobless teenagers "predictable".

"What is wrong in offering some teenagers the chance to learn the discipline and skills which are part of Service life? Hope must be 1933. Printed and published by Tim 1933. Printed and published by Tim Newspapers Limited, P.O. Box 7, 2 Cray's Inn Road, London, WCLX 85 England, Telephone: 01-837 1234, Tel-264971. Thursday April 14 1983. Register as a newspaper at the Post Office. offered to young people out of work, and schemes which do this are